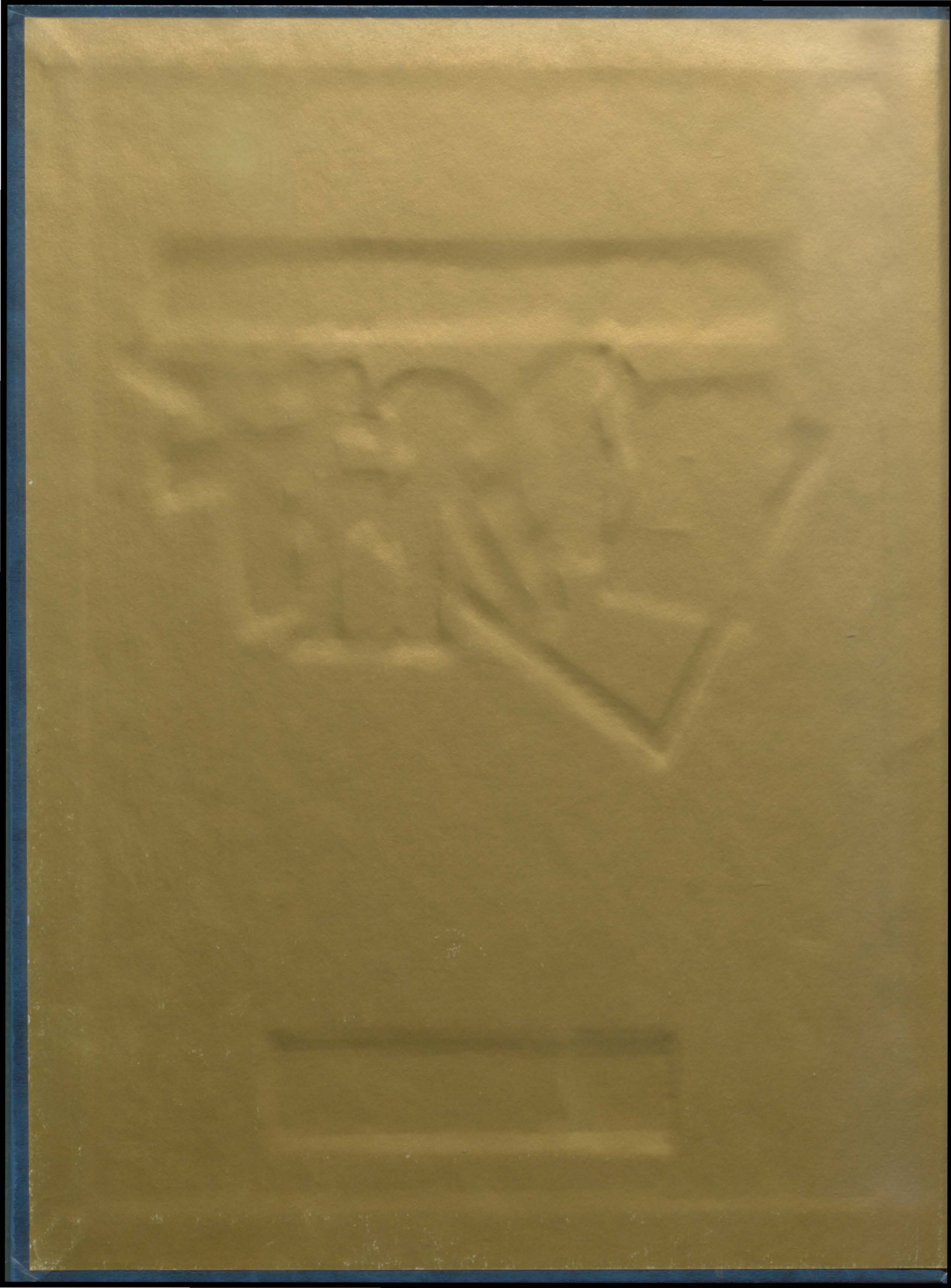
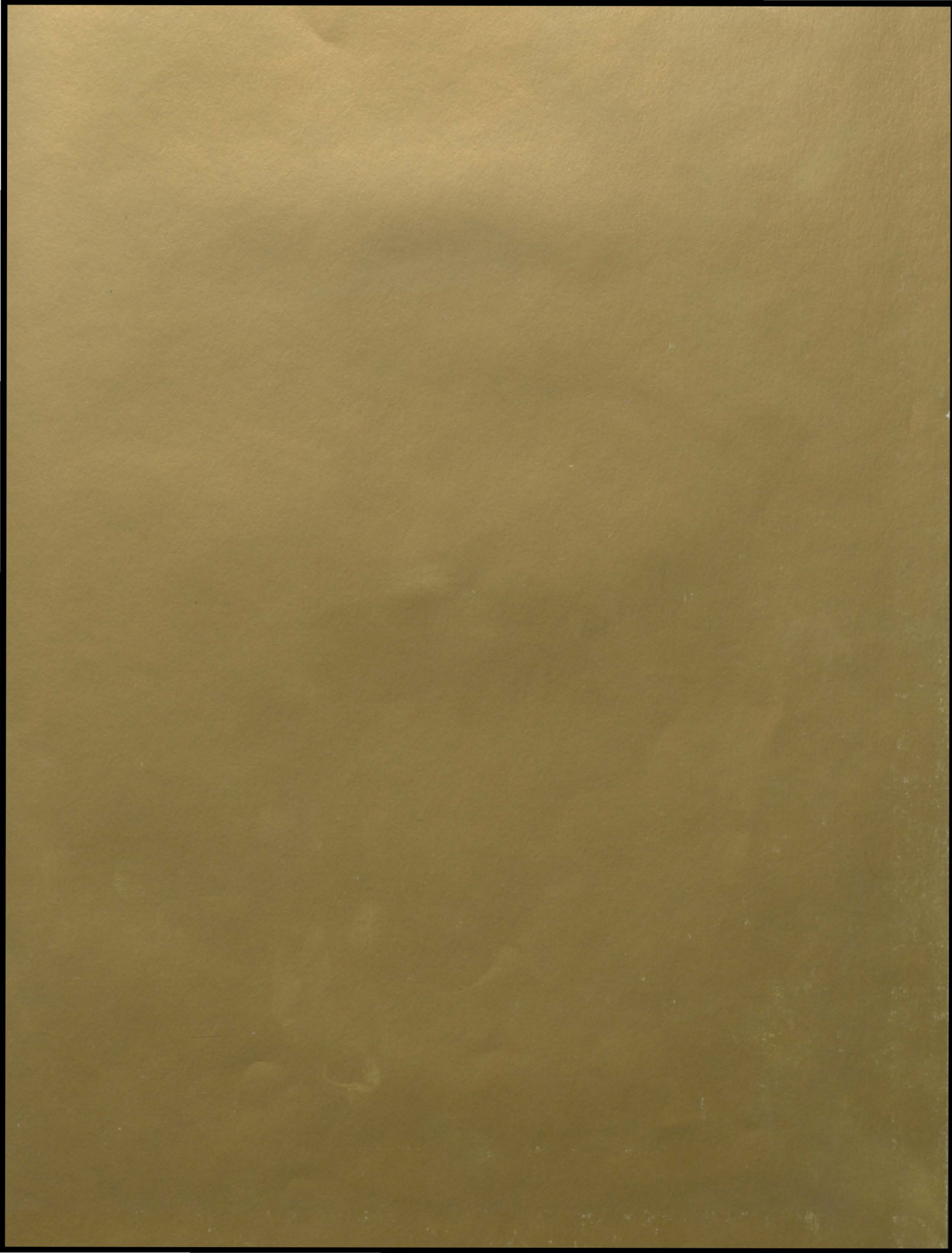


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We, the Class of 1998, dedicate this book to Mr. Jack

Prior to entering the teaching profession, Mr. Jack served four years in the U.S. Navy and two years in the U.S. Coast Guard. He came to Bloomfield from industry in 1967 as a Related Electric instructor. Since that time he has taught Metallurgy, Applied Science, Math, Computer Applications, and Electronics to all grade levels — and has even taught (would you believe?) “Fashion Design” to seniors.

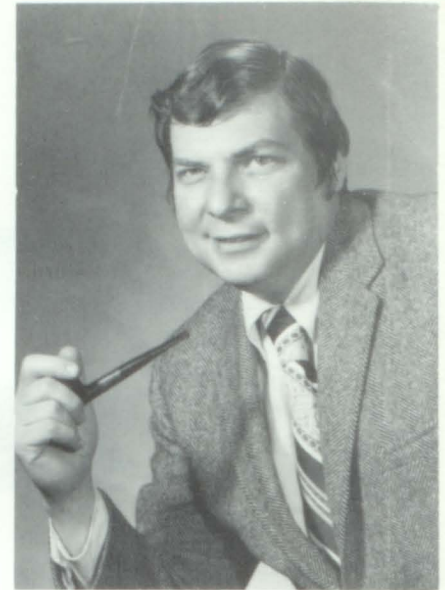
In his spare time, he can be found at home in his radio “shack” pursuing his favorite pastime — ham radio operation. He’s been an active member of the Ramapo Mountain Amateur Radio Club for the past 20 years and is currently on their Board of Trustees. His love for amateur radio extends to the teaching of basic and more advanced courses to future “hams” in his local community, as well as to the establishment of a working ham radio station in Room #37.

He is an active member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, where he has held the offices of Flotilla Commander and Division Captain. Mr. Jack has served as the Senior Liaison Officer to the Commander during the historic tribute to the Statue of Liberty in the Centennial July 4, 1986 celebration in NY Harbor, and was instrumental in the overall control of the largest armada of Coast Guard vessels ever assembled during peacetime. In 1997 he assumed the duties of President of the Past Captains’ Association, and is currently playing a key role in the planning of the 60th Anniversary celebration of the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Mr. Jack has been married to his wife, Pat, for the past 21 years and lives in the Jersey “burbs” with her and their show dog, Saber.

Mr. Jack, you are a professional and dedicated instructor who cares not only for your students’ academic growth, but for their personal development as well. Throughout the years, you’ve taught us about the significance of the work ethic, the consequences of our actions, the importance of persistence, and how to take pride in our accomplishments. You’ve guided us, you’ve made us work, you’ve made us think. You’ve allowed us to recognize our imperfections and acknowledge our worth. Through your example, we’ve learned the meaning of the word “respect.” We are better for having known you.

It is, therefore, with pride, gratitude, and respect that we, the graduating class of 1998, dedicate the SPARTAN to you. Thank you for being a part of our lives.



In Memoriam



We, the graduating class of 1998, wish to remember a very kind and respectable security guard . . . Mr. Sellers.

Mr. Sellers had been a security guard for nineteen years and shared six of those with us, here at Bloomfield Tech. As a guard he encouraged many students to do the right things. He related to the students and in a sense was one of us. Mr. Sellers' kind nature toward others was motivating for all of us here at Bloomfield Tech, especially for the younger generation . . . the students.

Mr. Sellers, all the words in the world could not express the way we miss your encouraging words and kind ways. We want to say Thank You for sharing six years with us here at Bloomfield Tech. We love you and miss you. We pray that you are now resting in peace.

The Class of 1998

***Good Bye
Mr. Sellers
and
Thank You***



"Look who just stepped out of Disney World!"

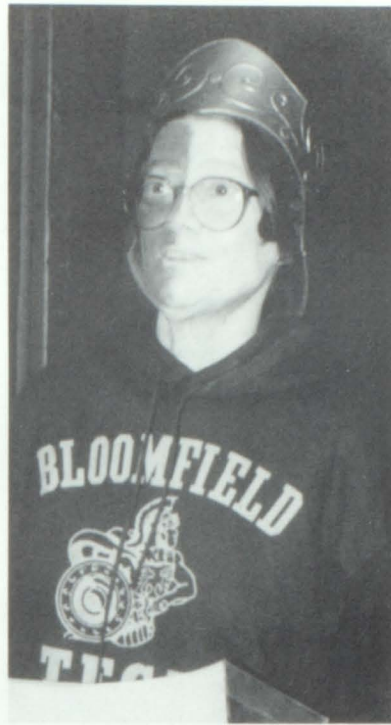


"What an adorable trio!!!"





"Oh, no! You weren't suppose to see that!!"



"Talk about school spirit!!!"



"Is this a truce?"



"It can't be that scary!"



"LET ME OUT!"





“Santa Claus is coming to town...”



Valentine's Day



Seniors ...



Seniors ...



and more Seniors!

Romantic Movie of '97 & '98?



Don't tell me these ladies are wall flowers?



Oh Yeah . . . Valentine's Day is great.



Sugar and spice and everything nice . . . that's what Arlene's made of.

TITANIC

Three's company, four's a crowd



What is you looking at?



What do you mean we're having a test?

We're off to see the wizard . . .



Ms. Albano enlightens her class

SENIORS 1998



Senior Activities



Seniors get their rings



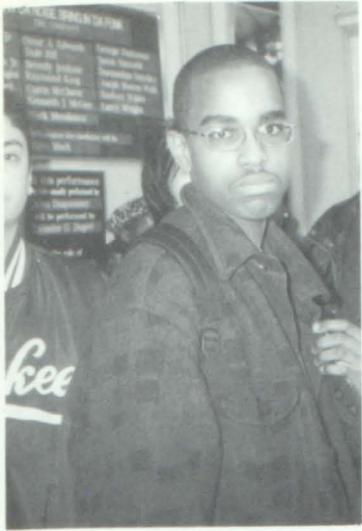
Seniors
give
life



Seniors also give ...



their time to help others



Seniors enjoy their trip to NYC



Seniors also enjoy

the Honor Roll Breakfast . . . and Bake Sales!





Just Chillin



Mrs. Lauterhahn hanging with the guys



Precious moment



Call AT&T! My phone's not on!

Here's looking at you kid



Bloomfield Tech Bodyguards





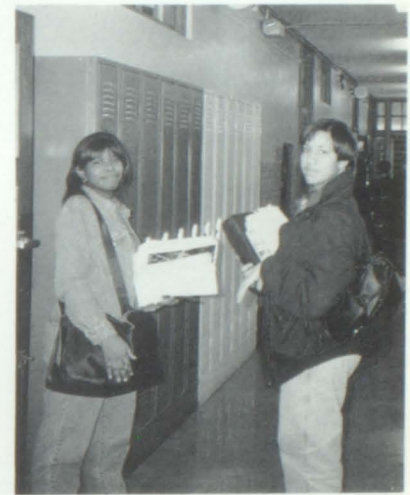
Mentally disturbed



Feed me

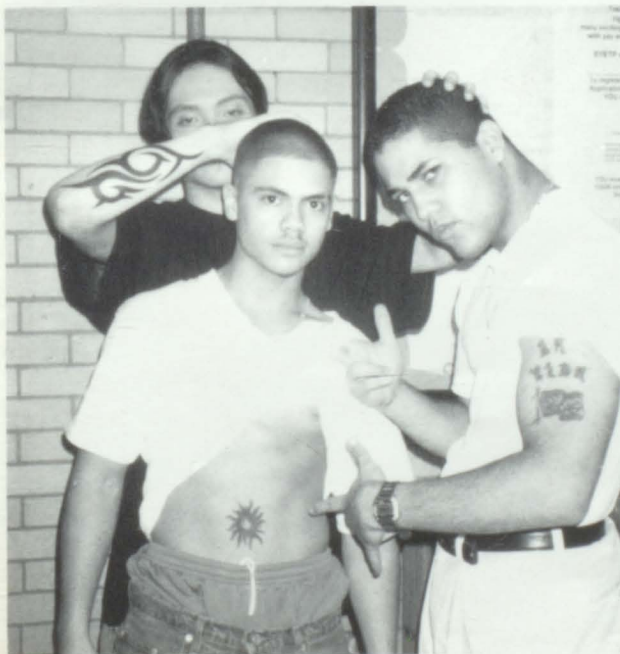


Aren't they sweet?



Girl talk

Body statements



Dazed and Confused

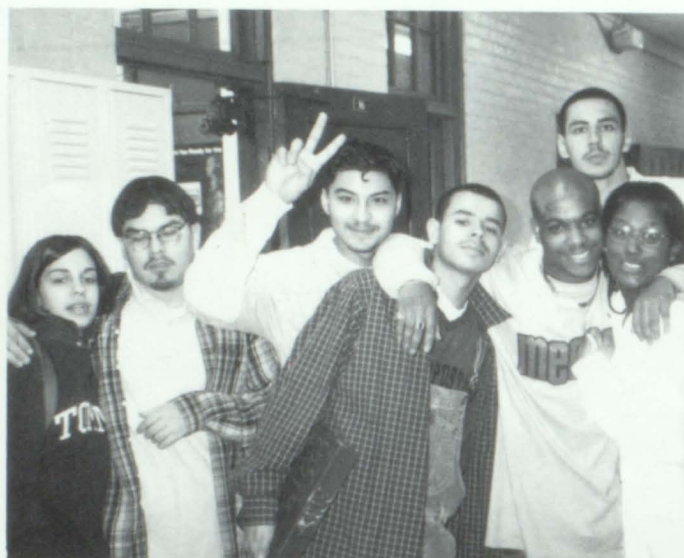


You know what Kathy is thinking about!



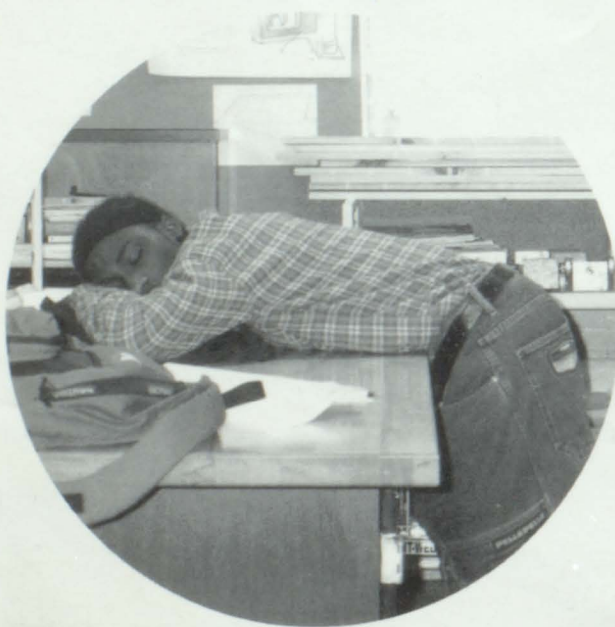
Two of a kind

Hmmm, I wonder . . .



Just chillin'

Science class = sleep time



Caught in the act

In Harmony





Name: Jacqueline Acevedo

Nickname: *Shorty*

Shop: *Computer Technology*

Favorite Quote: *"You Got Beef?"*

Future Goals: *To be an Administrative Assistant or Dancer.*



Name: Eliud E. Agosto

Nickname: *Big-Dog*

Shop: *Computer Electronics*

Favorite Quote: *"Watch Yourself!"*

Future Goals: *To work in the Computer Technology Field.*



Name: Lakisha Alston

Nickname: *Big Kish*

Shop: *Graphic Arts*

Favorite Quote: *"Don't touch me!"*

Future Goals: *To major in Computers or Stock Marketing.*



Name: Margarita Alicea

Nickname: *Bibi*

Shop: *Machine Shop*

Favorite Quote: *"What you gonna do?"*

Future Goals: *To be a Lawyer.*

Name: Lashonda Denise Alston

Nickname: *Biggums*

Shop: *Machine Shop*

Favorite Quote: *"I'm not playing with you!"*

Future Goals: *To become a Singer or Secretary.*



Name: Michael Almeida

Nickname: *Mikey*

Shop: *Computer Technology*

Favorite Quote: *"Life is only as tough as you make it."*

Future Goals: *To become a Paramedic.*



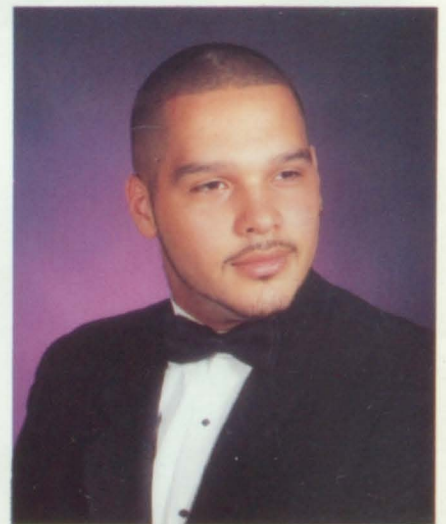
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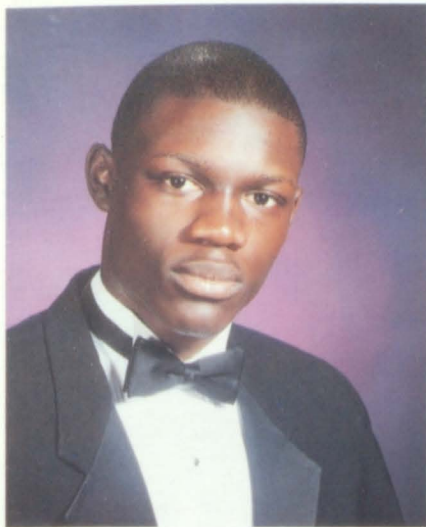
Nickname: *Musclehead*

Shop: *Auto Technology*

Favorite Quote: *"I'm hungry!"*

Future Goals: *To become an Auto Mechanic, Dancer, Professional Boxer, and a Business Man.*





Name: Thomas Anderson

Nickname: *T*

Shop: *Drafting*

Favorite Quote: *"People like you ..."*



Name: Julio Rene Aviles

Nickname: *Pito*

Shop: *Graphic Arts*

Favorite Quote: *"What's up!"*

Future Goals: *To make a lot of money.*



Name: Limaris Aponte

Nickname: *Bibi*

Shop: *Graphic Arts*

Favorite Quote: *"God bless you all!"*

Future goals: *To become a Corporate Lawyer.*

Name: Ravita Bangaroo

Shop: *Computer Technology*

Favorite Quote: *"Hi."*

Future Goals: *To be successful and happy in life.*



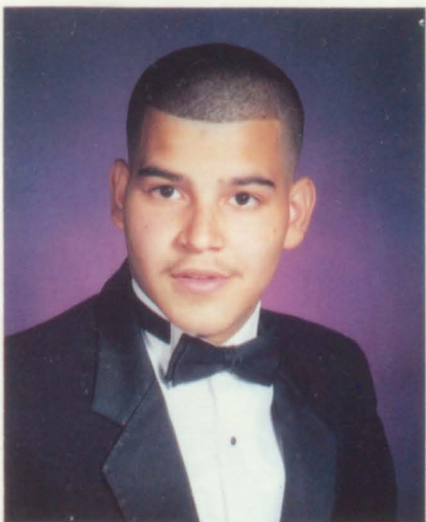
Name: Waldemar Arocho

Nickname: *Waldy*

Shop: *Graphic Arts*

Favorite Quote: *"You can't hang with thing!"*

Future Goals: *To study in criminal Justice.*



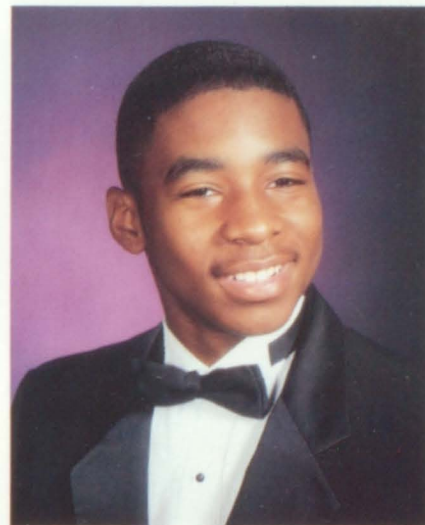
Name: Michael Omar Bradley

Nickname: *Omar*

Shop: *Drafting*

Favorite Quote: *"I'm nice."*

Future Goals: *Going on to College after High School.*



Name: Randy Brathwaite

Nickname: *Forest*

Shop: *Electric*

Future Goals: *Being an Electrician.*





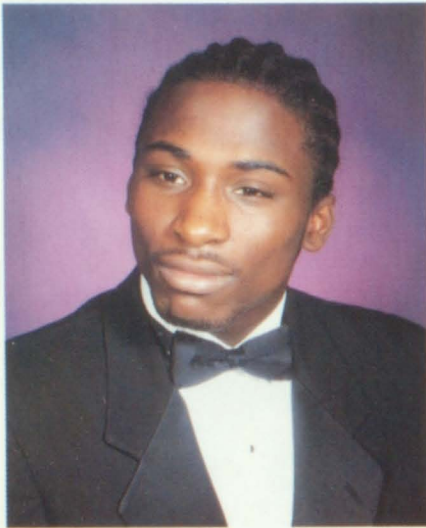
Name: Rashon Brinson

Nickname: *Roudy-Rahz a.k.a. (Daddy)*

Shop: *Drafting*

Favorite Quote: *"your breath smell like ..."*

Future Goals: *To be a Pro-basketball player, Rapper, Business owner*



Name: Christine Cacoilo

Nickname: *Baby Spice*

Shop: *Carpentry*

Favorite Quote: *"(That's Phat)"*

Future Goals: *To become a physicist*

Name: Ingrid Castillo

Shop: *Computer Tech.*

Future Goals: *Business Administration and Computer technologist*



Name: Arlene Cardona

Nickname: *Ghost*

Shop: *Machine*

Favorite Quote: *"WOW!"*

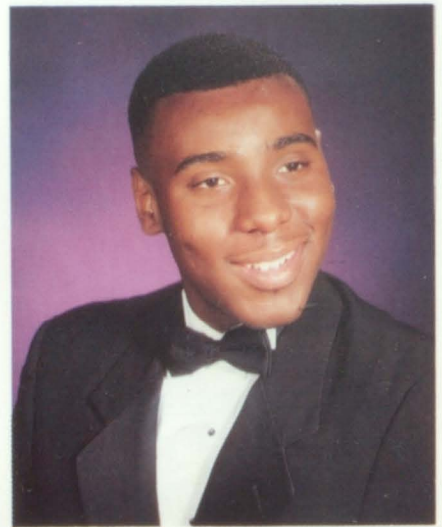
Future Goals: *Travel the world and live life*

Name: Drissou Frantz Civil

Shop: *Welding*

Favorite Quote: *"It's alla bout the Benji's"*

Future Goals: *Me and My Daughter in a Lex Coupe*



Name: Richard Carranza

Nickname: *RICKDOG, BIG RICH*

Shop: *Machine*

Favorite Quote: *"Word!"*

Future Goals: *Become a police officer*



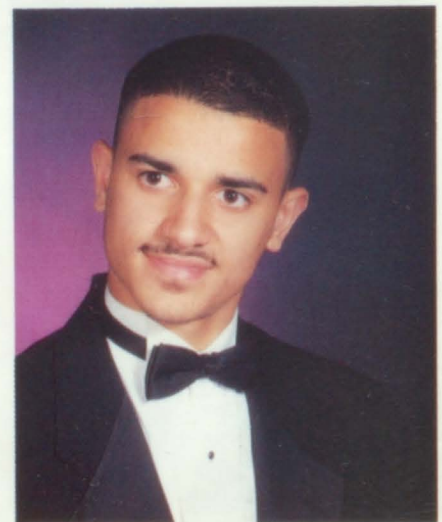
Name: Enrique Concepcion

Nickname: *Tony Montana*

Shop: *Auto*

Favorite Quote: *"The world is mine and everything in it"*

Future goals: *Succeed in this small world*





Name: Quiana Davidson
 Nickname: "Skinny"
 Shop: Machine
 Favorite Quote: "Mind your business!!"
 Future Goals: Business Management



Name: Charlene Dickens
 Nickname: Jumping Bean
 Shop: Graphic Arts
 Favorite Quote: "Let's get to work"
 Future Goals: To earn my Ph.D. in Physical Therapy

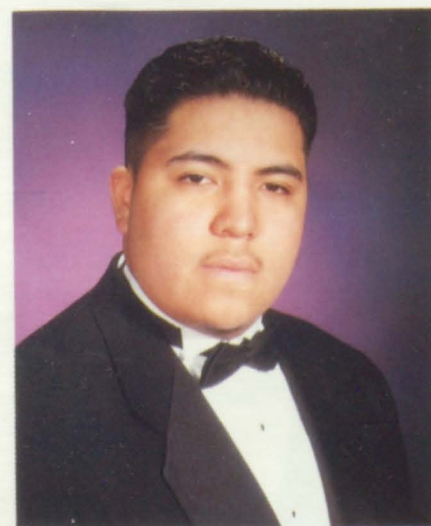


Name: Tamara K. Dawkins
 Nickname: "Mookie"
 Shop: Computer Tech.
 Future Goals: Owning an accounting firm

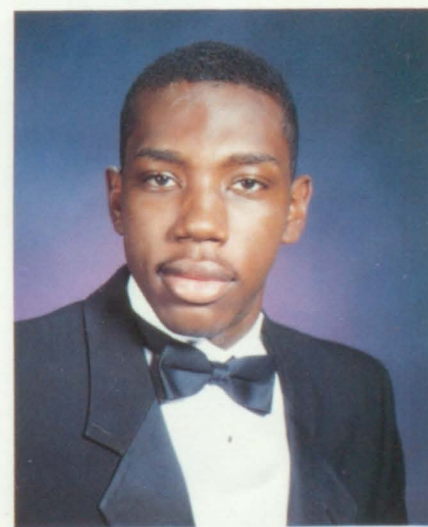
Name: Mari-Carmen Echevarria
 Nickname: Mamacita
 Shop: Graphic Arts
 Favorite Quote: "That's critical"
 Future Goals: Always putting Jehova in first place, go to school, and make something of myself.



Name: Carlos Diaz
 Shop: Electronics



Name: Shmera Edward
 Nickname: Mera
 Shop: Machine
 Favorite Quote: "I ain't got it, won't get it, and I don't need it"
 Future Goals: To be a doctor



Name: Dennis Ellington
 Nickname: "D.L."
 Shop: Electric
 Favorite Quote: "Mind your business!!"
 Future Goals: To win the Nobel Prize





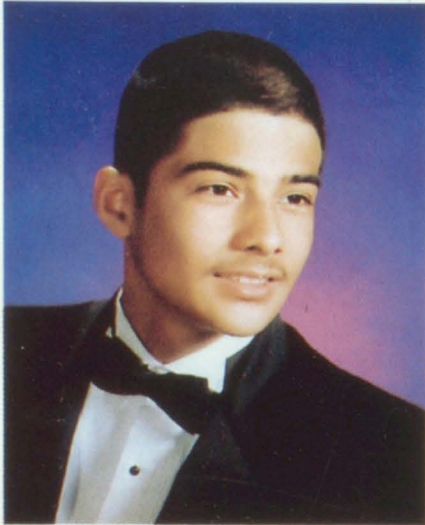
Name: Steve Fernando Escalante

Nickname: *Puppy Pit Bull*

Shop: *Auto Technology*

Favorite Quote: *"Rage against the machine."*

Future Goals: *To party.*

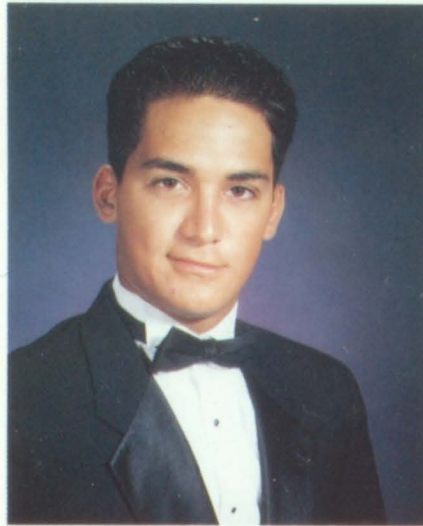


Name: Gloria Luz Flores

Shop: *Computer Electronics*

Favorite Quote: *"Oscar, get out of my face!"*

Future Goals: *To be successful in whatever I do.*



Name: Nelson Feliciano

Nickname: *Witch Doctor*

Shop: *Computer Technology*

Favorite Quote: *"Ill!!!"*

Future Goals: *Chef.*

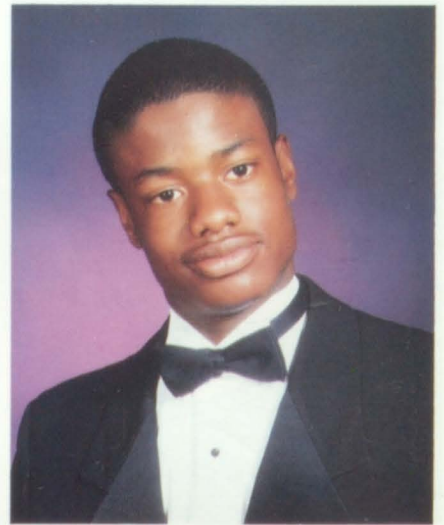
Name: Fuquan Fuller

Nickname: *Fu*

Shop: *Machine Shop*

Favorite Quote: *"Chill!!" "God!!"*

Future Goals: *Baseball*



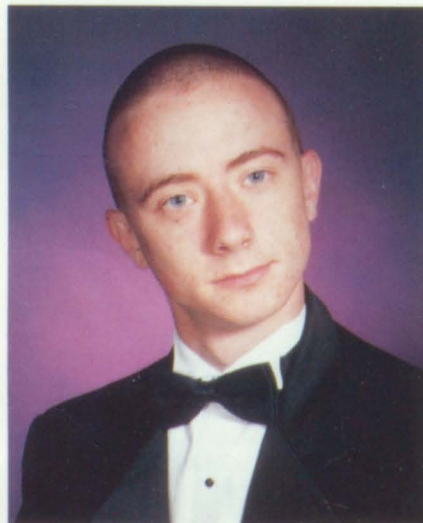
Name: Carlos Ferreira

Nickname: *Big Red and Red Man*

Shop: *Computer Electronics*

Favorite Quote: *"Yeeoo!!!!"*

Future Goals: *To become an Electrical Engineer.*



Name: Desmond Everett

Nickname: *Blazz*

Shop: *Machine Shop*

Favorite Quote: *"Players, player haters, and the female aggravators."*

Future Goals: *To become a true Jehovah witness.*

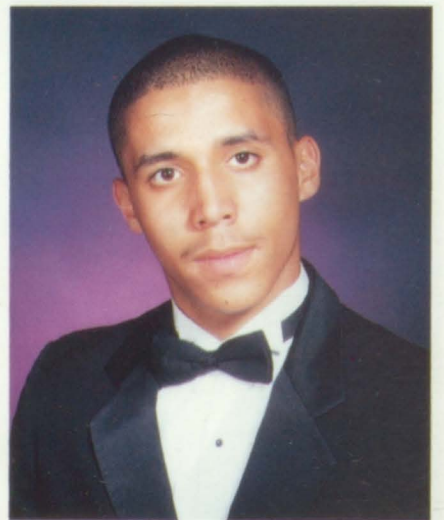


Name: Carlos Gonzalez Jr.

Nickname: *Batman*

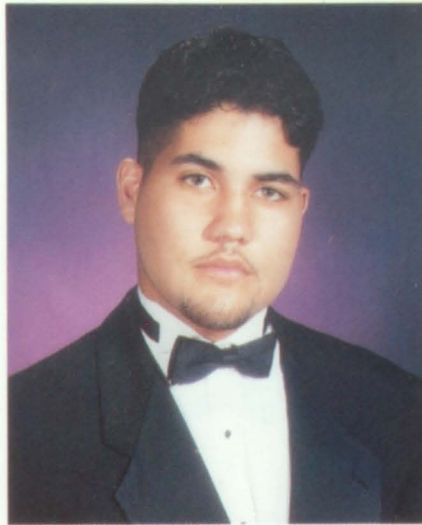
Shop: *Auto Technology*

Future Goals: *To become a Mechanic and make Hot Rods Cars.*

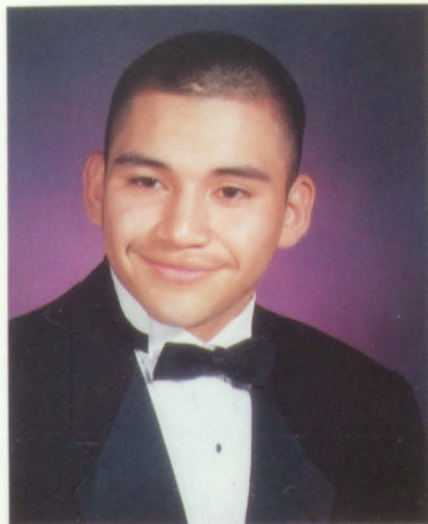




Name: Karen Caridad Gonzalez
 Nickname: *Pebbles*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Life is like a game play-hard."*
 Future Goals: *To become Architect and Criminal Justice.*

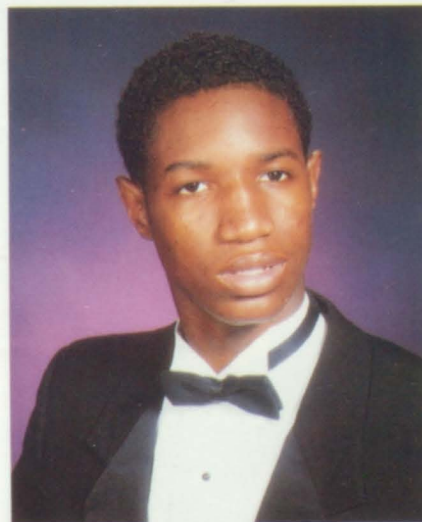


Name: Oscar Guzman
 Nickname: *Da Nuce Man aka Don Juan Guzman*
 Shop: *Auto Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"What ever doesn't kill you can only make you stronger."*
 Future Goals: *Be all I can be, and lamp excessively to Da Fullest!*



Name: Yurko Gramajo
 Nickname: *Kid*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"How I do it, I don't know, I just do it."*

Name: James Harvin
 Nickname: *J-Rock*
 Shop: *Machine Shop*
 Favorite Quote: *"Am I speaking Greek!"*
 Future Goals: *To be a Basketball Star.*



Name: Nelson Guzman
 Nickname: *Neldiggity aka Neldog*
 Shop: *Computer Electronics*
 Favorite Quote: *"Can't nobody take my pride, can't nobody hold me down!"*
 Future Goals: *To make mad loot and lounge son.*



Name: Monica Hernandez
 Nickname: *Mami*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Hey dudes!"*
 Future Goals: *To become a Nurse.*



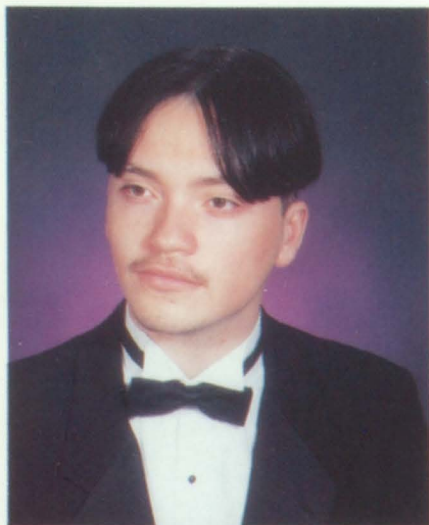
Name: Vonee Jackson
 Nickname: *Nani*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Good golly Molly!"*
 Future Goals: *To become an Accountant.*





Name: Daniel Mejias Jimenez

Nickname: *Satan*
 Shop: *Carpentry*
 Favorite Quote: *Sell your soul*
 Goals: *Be famous*



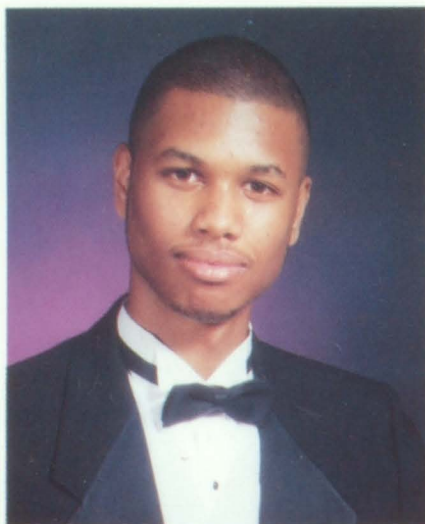
Name: Jaqueena C. Jones

Nickname: *Bee-Bee*
 Shop: *Machine*
 Favorite Quote: *"You need to stop talking about people"*
 Future Goals: *To further my education, to achieve all of my dreams*
And to be the best in everything I do



Name: Isaac Edouard Lamothe

Nickname: *Nas*
 Shop: *Auto Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"I'm Nice"*
 Future Goals: *To be an engineer*



Name: Marlon L. Jordan

Shop: *Electric*
 Favorite Quote: *"I'm Nice"*
 Future Goals: *To be rich and famous*

Name: Keisha Lynette Lanier

Nickname: *Ki*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Oh Well"*
 Future Goals: *Major in Business Administrations*

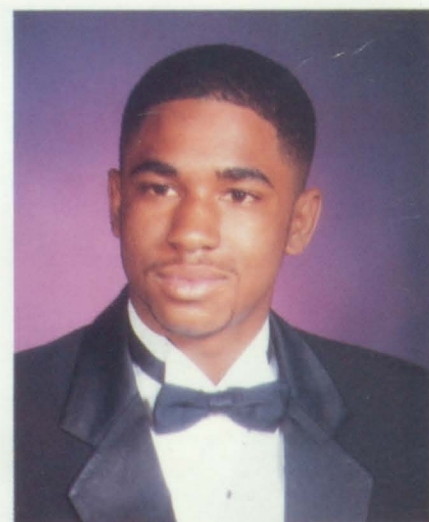
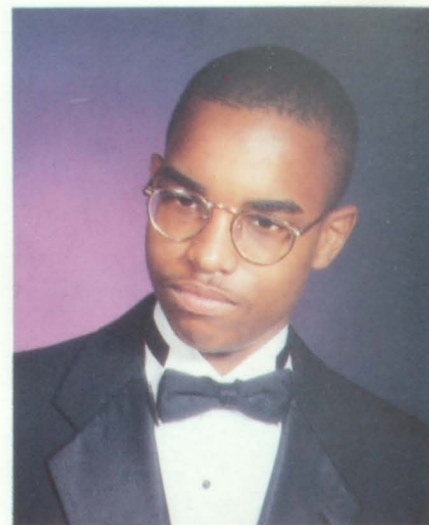
Name: Salik Almuid Key

Nickname: *Nooby*
 Shop: *Electric*
 Favorite Quote: *"What's going on?"*
 Future Goals: *Playing in the NFL or an Electrician*



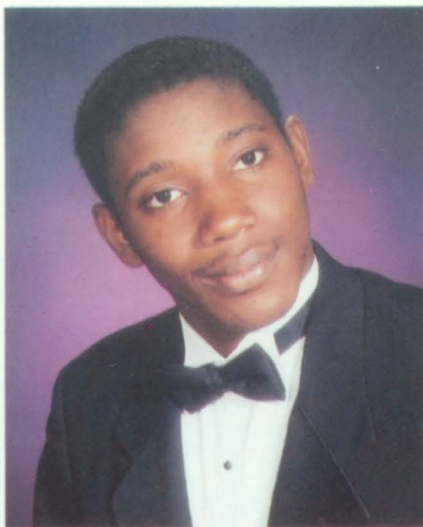
Name: Stefan Lee

Nickname: *Stef Diggity*
 Shop: *Welding*
 Favorite Quote: *"Back up off me"*
 Future Goals: *To be an accountant*





Name: Melissa D. Lewis
 Nickname: *Biggie*
 Shop: *Machine*
 Favorite Quote: *"I'm not big, I'm just full of Love"*
 Future Goals: *To become an accountant*



Name: Jihad Martin
 Nickname: *Gizod*
 Shop: *Electric*
 Favorite Quote: *"I'm Bout it, Bout it"*
 Future Goals: *Make lots of Doe!*

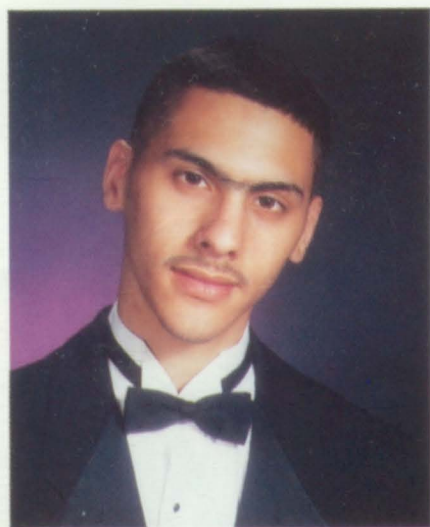


Name: Shelly-ann Manning
 Nickname: *Brown Suga*
 Shop: *Carpentry*
 Favorite Quote: *"And you're telling me this because"*
 Future Goals: *To accomplish everything I start and to be the best at it. To continue to serve the Lord.*

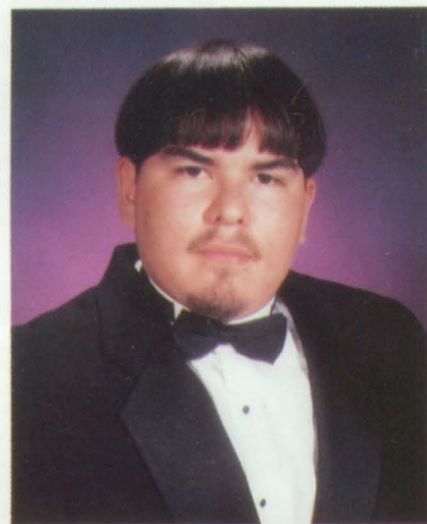
Name: Shakeria Martin
 Nickname: *Sha*
 Shop: *Mechanical Drafting*
 Favorite Quote: *"So You Say"*
 Future Goals: *Go to college and major in Interior Design*



Name: Alexis Marengo
 Nickname: *Pop Dog*
 Shop: *Auto Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Mad Holy" Thanx!!*
 Future Goals: *Reach Heaven*



Name: Abraham Merced
 Nickname: *Pete*
 Shop: *Auto Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Who got the homework?"*
 Future Goals: *Get the money!*



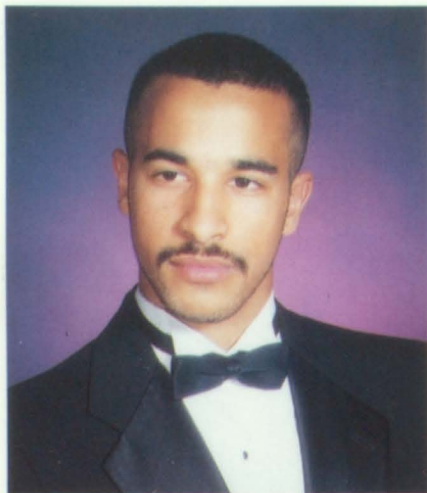
Name: Moises Montoya
 Nickname: *Moe-Moe*
 Shop: *Computer Electronics*
 Favorite Quote: *"Where's the cookup?"*
 Future Goals: *Graphic Artist*





Name: Eddie Morales

Nickname: *Ed; Sleepy*
 Shop: *Carpentry*
 Favorite Quote: *"I failed"*
 Future goals: *Fighter Pilot*



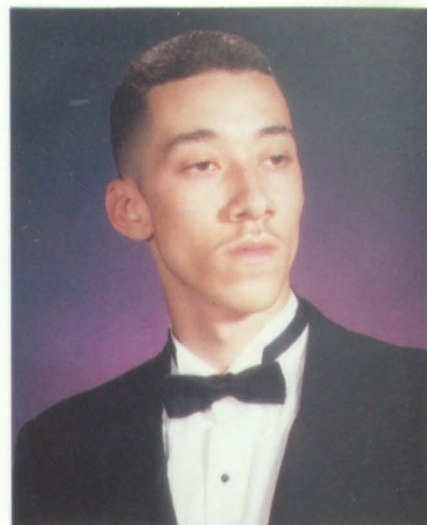
Name: William Morales

Nickname: *Will Dog*
 Shop: *Electric*
 Favorite Quote: *"You just want attention"*
 Future Goals: *Be rich*



Name: Alex Nobre

Nickname: *Ali-AI*
 Shops: *Graphic Arts*
 Favorite Quote: *"You ain't got no work for me"*
 Future Goals: *To be successful in whatever I do*



Name: Christina Narvaez

Nickname: *Chrissy*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Future Goals: *Be happy and successful in whatever I decide to do*

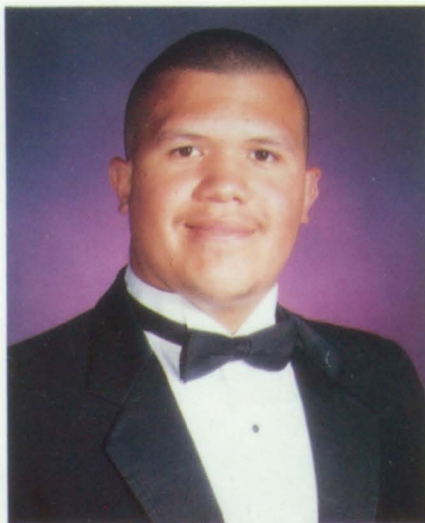
Name: Elizabeth Nobre

Nickname: *Betty*
 Shop: *Machine*
 Favorite Quote: *"Come-on-man"*
 Future Goals: *To be a successful psychologist*



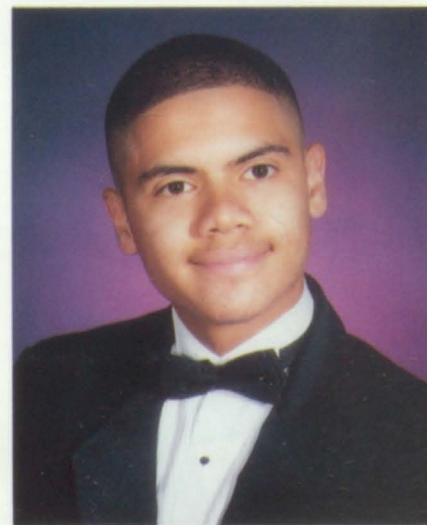
Name: Ivan Negron

Nickname: *Lil' man*
 Shop: *Electric*
 Favorite Quote: *"What's up"*
 Future Goals: *To do good in business*



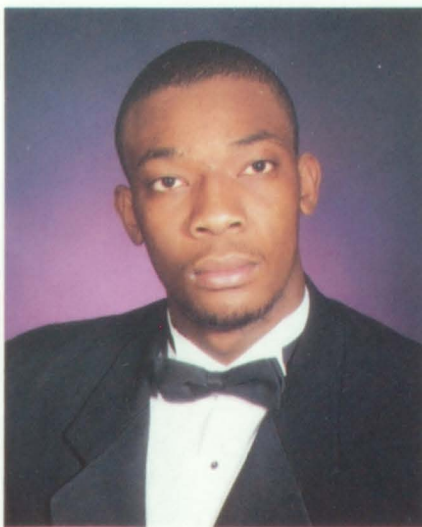
Name: Luis Olivencia

Nickname: *L*
 Shop: *Drafting*
 Favorite Quote: *"You make me wanna..."*
 Future Goals: *To be a boxer and an architect*





Name: Fernando Ortiz
 Nickname: Diesel
 Shop: Welding
 Favorite Quote: "Life is what you make it"
 Future Goals: Police Officer or Welder



Name: Anthony Pearson
 Nickname: Ant
 Shop: Welding
 Favorite Quote: "Play da game by da rules, Play da rules by da game"
 Future Goals: To change the world

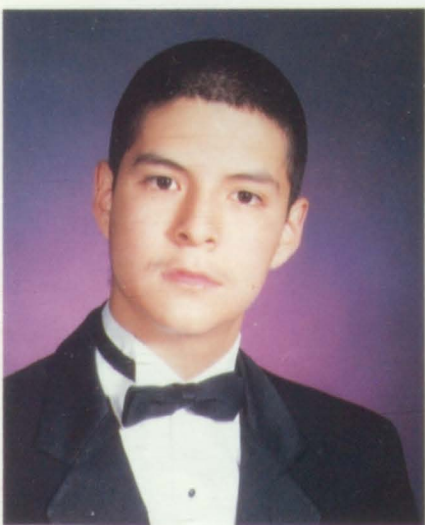


Name: Katuisca Cecilia Ortiz
 Nickname: Kee-Kee
 Shop: Graphic Arts
 Favorite Quote: "And your point is?"
 Future Goals: Become a nurse

Name: Sherlyn Pena
 Shop: Drafting
 Favorite Quote: "Shut Up"
 Future Goals: Criminal Justice



Name: Jimmy Pardo
 Nickname: Mut
 Shop: Drafting
 Favorite Quote: "Give me a kiss"
 Future Goals: To be an architect



Name: Simone Michelle Perry
 Nickname: Mo-Mo
 Shop: Graphic Arts
 Favorite Quote: "I got you"
 Future Goals: Become a successful accountant



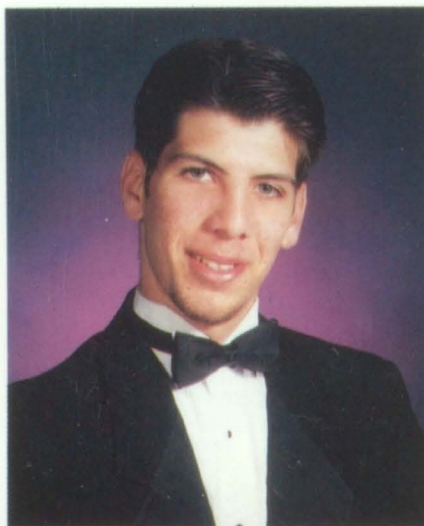
Name: Nicole F. Perryman
 Nickname: Nikki
 Shop: Computer Technology
 Favorite Quote: "If you want something done right, do it yourself"
 Future Goals: Movie Producer and director, Own my own Production Studio





Name: Madilin Rios

Nickname: "Mama"
Shop: Graphics Arts
Favorite Quote: "Shut it up! That's your business!"
Future Goals: Getting the cash



Name: Gladys Rodriguez

Nickname: Chiqui
Shop: Drafting
Favorite Quote: "Yeah buddy"
Future Goals: Criminal Justice



Name: Angelo Rizzolo

Shop: Graphic Arts

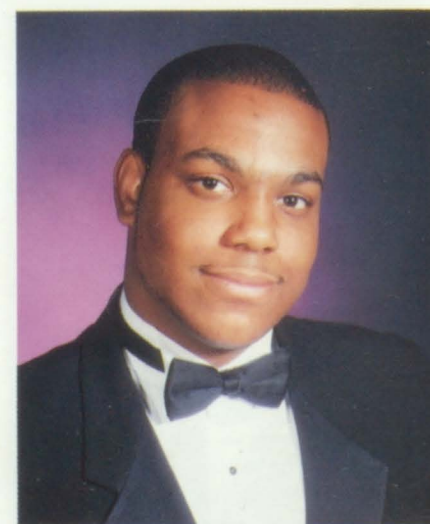
Name: Elias Rosado

Nickname: Porky
Shop: Auto Technology
Future Goals: To be successful in whatever I do



Name: Lennetta Robinson

Nickname: Netta
Shop: Drafting
Future Goals: To have my own business, and be a dancer



Name: Jermaine Rudd

Nickname: Mainie
Shop: Auto Technology
Favorite Quote: "Ahiet"
Future Goals: Automotive Technician

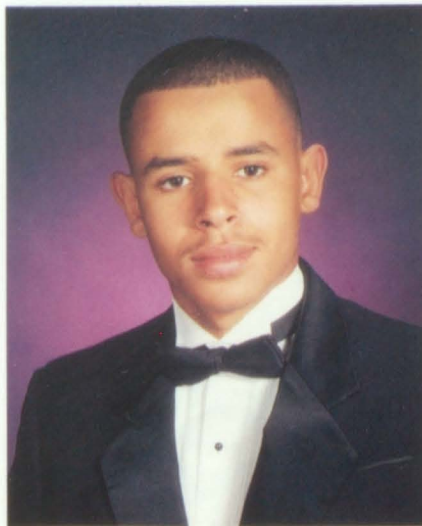
Name: Luis Rivera

Nickname: ACE
Shop: Carpentry
Favorite Quote: "Do what you gotta do"
Future Goals: Go into the Air Force and become rich!

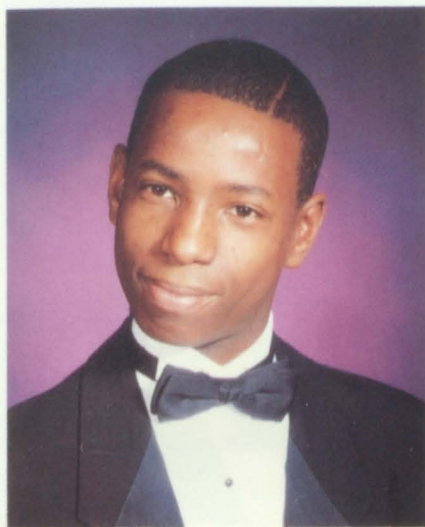




Name: Lisa Marie Saar
 Nickname: *Liece*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Oh Gosh", "Jerky"*
 Future Goals: *To be an Actress or own my own business*



Name: Rodrigo Silva
 Nickname: *Rah-Dog*
 Shop: *Electric*



Name: Abdur Saleem
 Nickname: *Pop Dog*
 Shop: *Welding*
 Favorite Quote: *"Slow your roll"*
 Future Goals: *To be a basketball player*

Name: Jocelyn Miranda Simmons
 Nickname: *Jos*
 Shop: *Computer Electornics*
 Favorite Quote: *"Pretty much", "Whatever man"*
 Future Goals: *To go to college and major in theater and Drama; Become an engineer*



Name: Danita Latrice Sanders
 Nickname: *"DA-DA"*
 Shop: *Electric*
 Favorite Quote: *"Just listen to me"*
 Future Goals: *To become a lawyer*



Name: Michelle Simoes
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Future Goals: *Go to college and become a Nurses Aid*



Name: Delania Simola
 Nickname: *Dee-Dee, Precious*
 Shop: *Machine Shop*
 Favorite Quote: *"God is good all the time"*
 Future Goals: *To reach a lot of souls in my singing career and continue to be the light that shines*





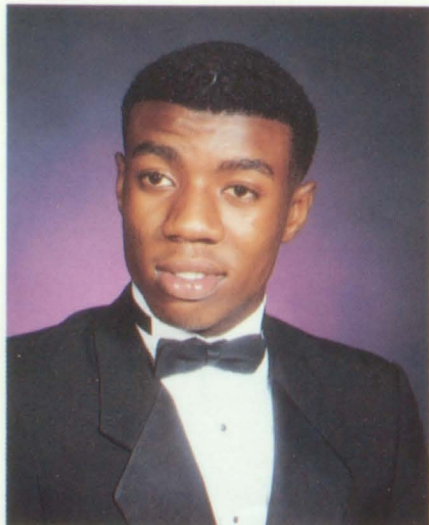
Name: Joshua Smith

Nickname: *Casinova*

Shop: *Machine Shop*

Favorite Quote: *"You sexy thang you!"*

Future Goals: *To be successful.*



Name: Sharonda Nicole Smith

Nickname: *Ronnie*

Shop: *Electric*

Favorite Quote: *"It's all good!", "Uhn, uhn."*

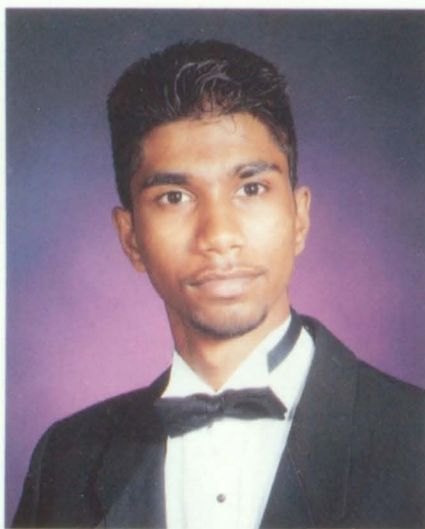
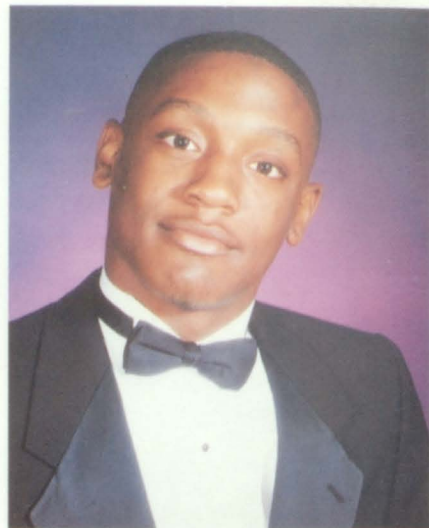
Name: Brian Taylor

Nickname: *Taz*

Shop: *Auto Technology*

Favorite Quote: *"I'm the Biggest man you ever see!"*

Future Goals: *To play in the NBA or become a Lawyer.*



Yogeshwar Sugrim

Nickname: *Yogi*

Shop: *Auto*

Favorite Quote: *"An eye for an eye will make the world blind."*

Future Goals: *Aviation Mechanic*

Name: Andrew Thomas

Nickname: *Big Drew*

Shop: *Machine Shop*

Future Goals: *To be successful in my pursuit of happiness.*



Name: Lattera Sumner

Shop: *Drafting*

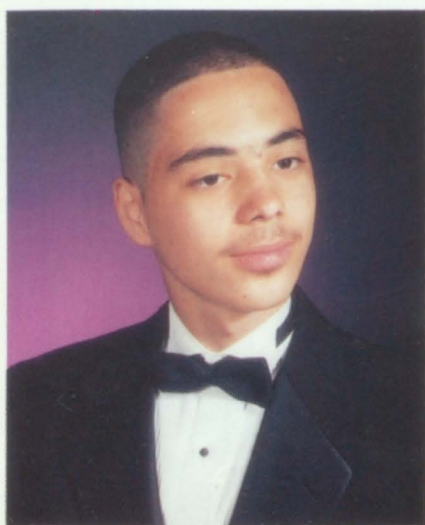
Favorite Quote: *"That ain't right."*

Future Goals: *To be successful in whatever I do.*

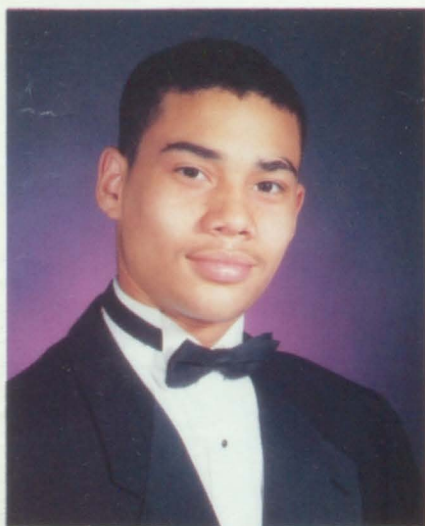




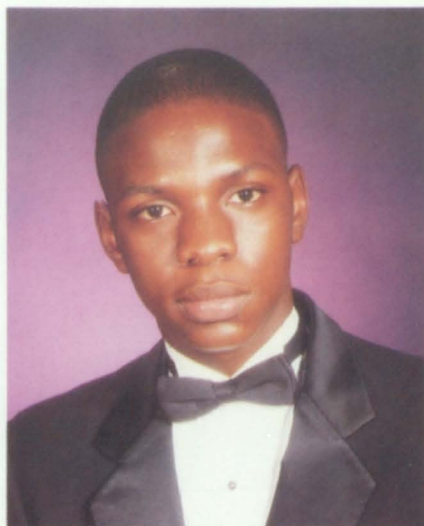
Name: Latasha Tamika Upshaw
 Nickname: *La-La*
 Shop: *Computer Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Go hed wit' cha' self"*
 Future Goals: *Psychologist or Registered Nurse*



Name: Edward Vega
 Nickname: *Eddie*
 Shop: *Drafting*
 Favorite Quote: *"Tonight's da night!"*
 Future Goals: *To become a good Architect.*



Name: Michael Velez
 Nickname: *Pop Dog*
 Shop: *Auto Technology*
 Favorite Quote: *"Relax!"*

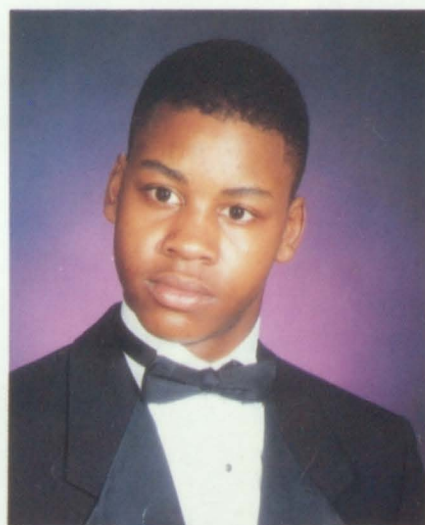
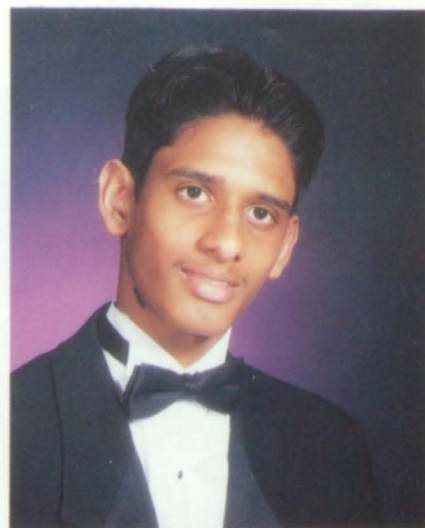


Name: Bertho Vretil
 Shop: *Drafting*
 Favorite Quote: *"Yeah . . .!"*
 Future Goals: *Dentist or Electrical Engineer*

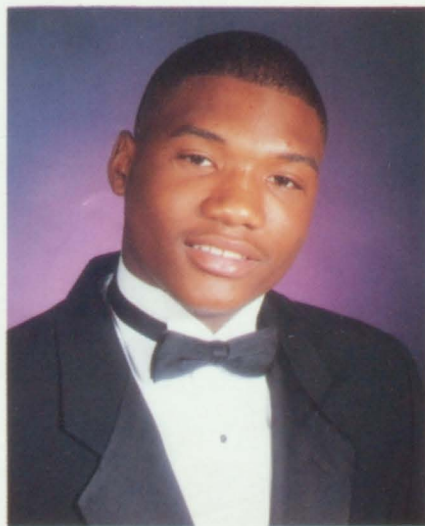


Name: Toshiba Walker
 Nickname: *Shiba*
 Shop: *Carpentry*
 Favorite Quote: *"Let me borrow that?"*
 Future Goals: *To be successful in whatever I do.*

Name: Mujib Walli
 Nickname: *Moo*
 Shop: *Computer Electronics*
 Favorite Quote: *"Don't be a follower, be a leader!"*
 Future Goals: *To be a Doctor in Physical Therapy*



Name: Shawn Watford
 Nickname: *Skip*
 Shop: *Welding*
 Favorite Quote: *"You can't play a playa!"*
 Future Goals: *To make it to the NBA.*

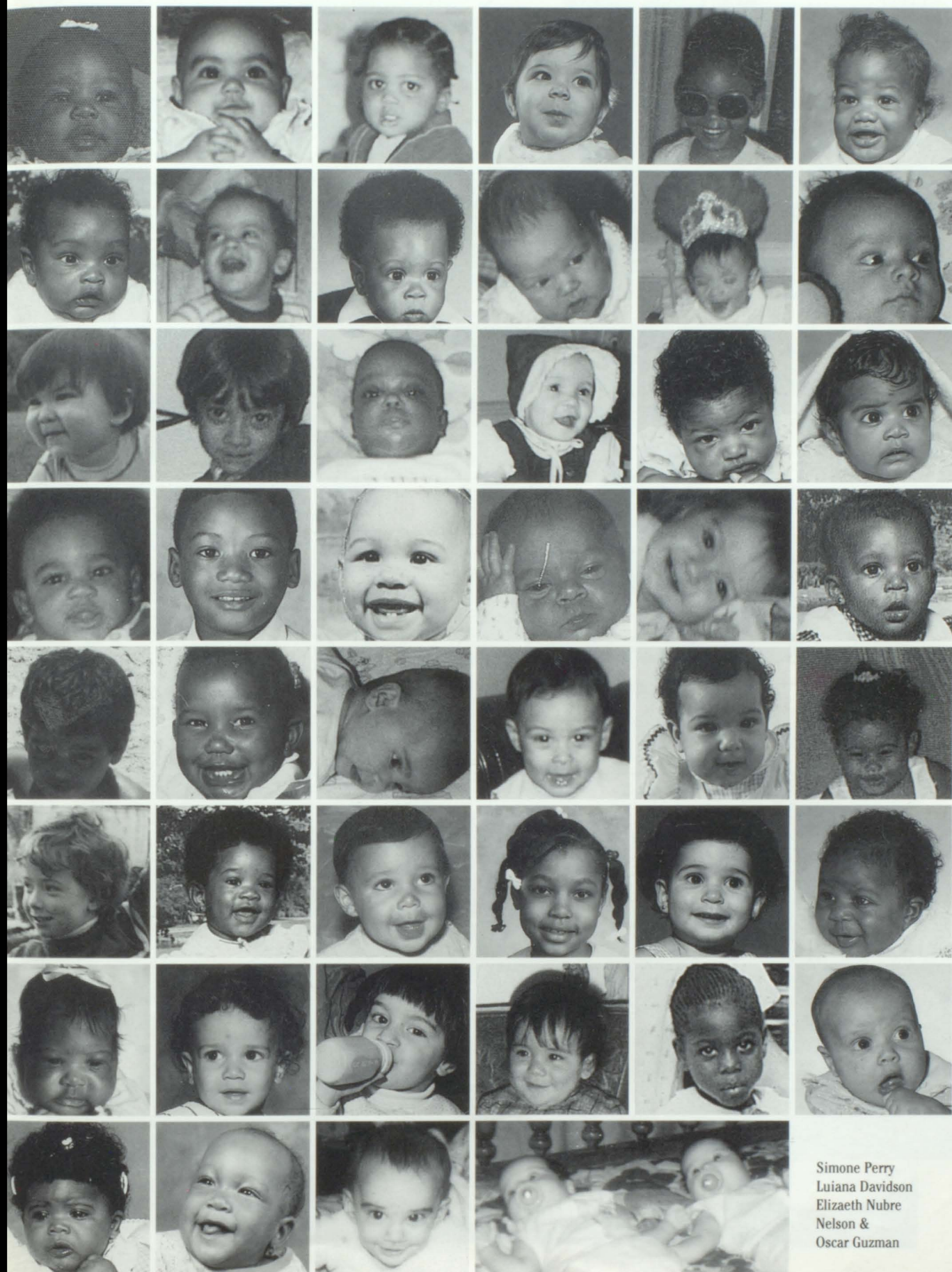


Name: Shakur Williams
 Nickname: *Smooth*
 Shop: *Electric*
 Favorite Quote: *"Speed off Cadillac."*
 Future Goals: *Make it to the NFL*

The beat goes on . . .



Baby Pictures



Melisa Lewis
Madilin Rios
Shaconda Smith
Michelle Simoes
Shaun Watford
Fugan Fuller

Isaac E LaMonthe
Alexis Marenzo
Salih Key
Arlene Cardona
Gladys Rodriguez
Elies Rosado

Moises Montoya
Alex N.
Sermaine Rudd
Jackelin Acevedo
Keisha Lynette
Ravita Rangroo

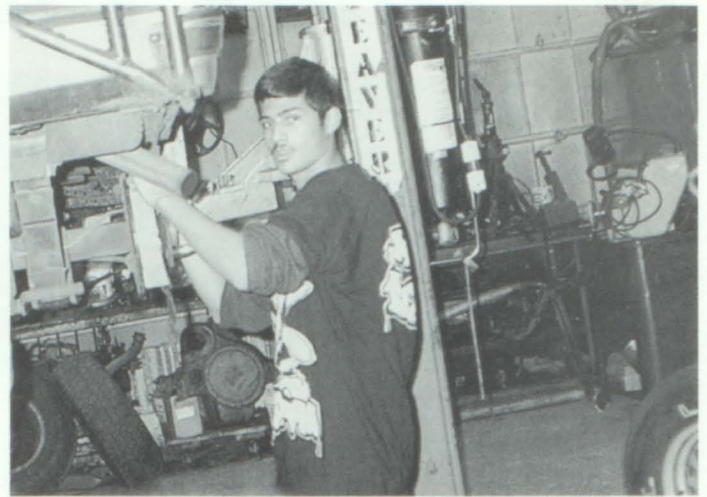
Stefan LGG
Shakur Williams
Jacelyn Simmons
Mari Carmen
Lias Saas
Jaqucna Jones

Orlando
Shakeria Martin
Fernado Ortiz
Monica Hernandez
Tamara Dawkins
Katuscia Ortiz

Carlos Ferreira
Danita L. Sanders
Carlos Gonzalez
Laterra Summer
Karen Gonzalez
Nocole Perryman

Latasha Upshaw
Enrique Concepcion
Christine Cacoilo
Nelson Felicidno
Shmen Edwards
Limaris Aponte

Simone Perry
Luiana Davidson
Elizaeth Nubre
Nelson &
Oscar Guzman



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Alexis

Orlando

Michael

Brian

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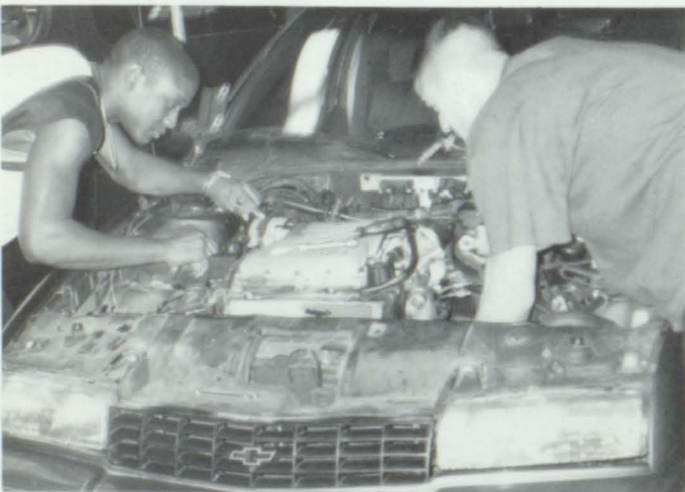
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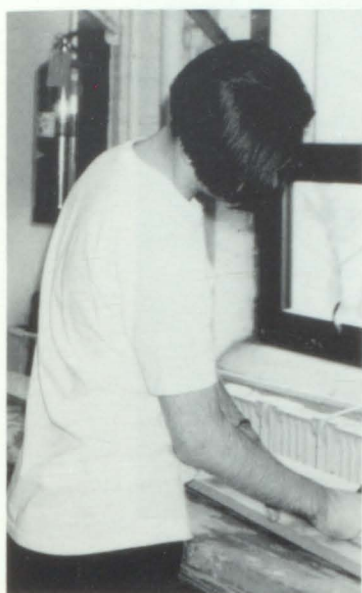
Steve

Isaac

Yogi

Elias





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Carpenters



Computer Electronics



Seniors Mujib & Eliud

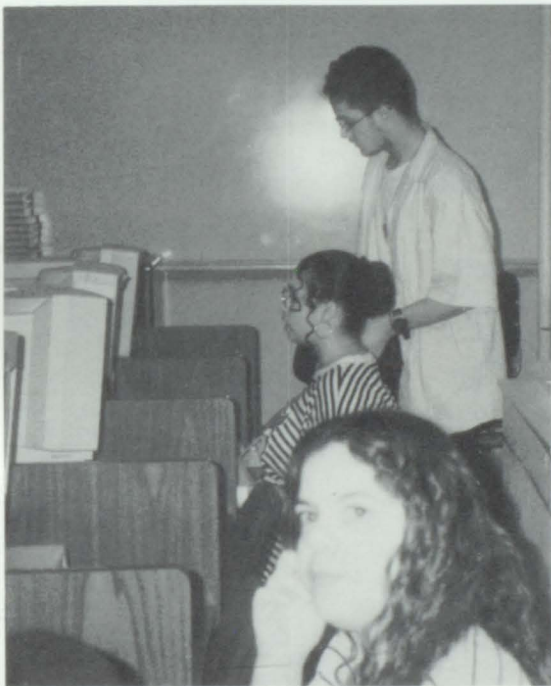


Eliud works hard

Computer Tech



Nicole is intent on her work



Nelson helps Monica as Michelle just waits



Look Ma! No work!

Electric



Luis & Rodrigo play with power



William cuts out unnecessary garbage



Dennis' motto is measure twice, cut once!

Graphic Arts



LaKisha & Simone seem to enjoy their work

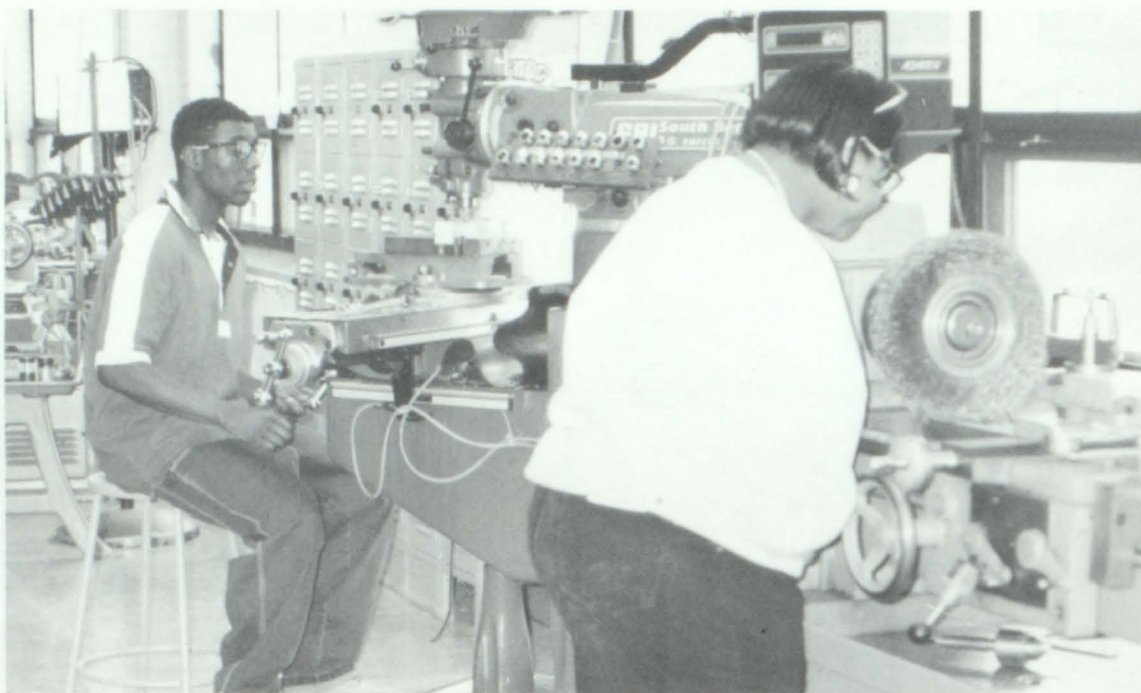


Charlene knows how to work it . . . the machine!



This is no problem for Julio

Machine



Josh & Melissa had better be careful there!



Fuquan concentrates to create perfection



James is busy too

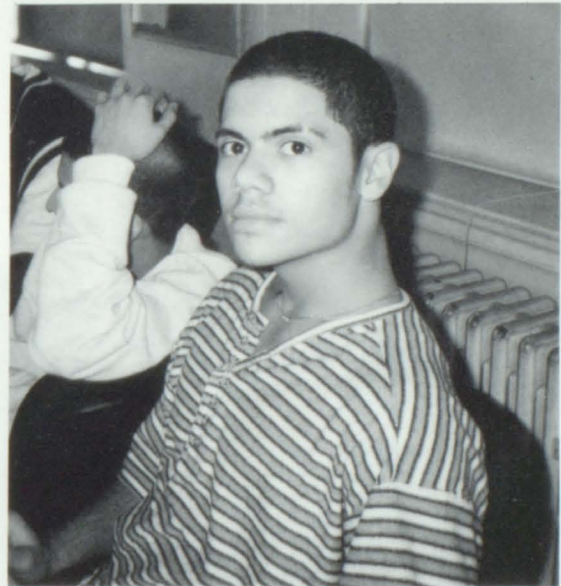
Drafting



Sherlyn & Shakeria really aren't staring at blank screens . . . it just looks that way!



Thomas, Sherlyn & Gladys put their minds together on this one



Luis can answer any question you have

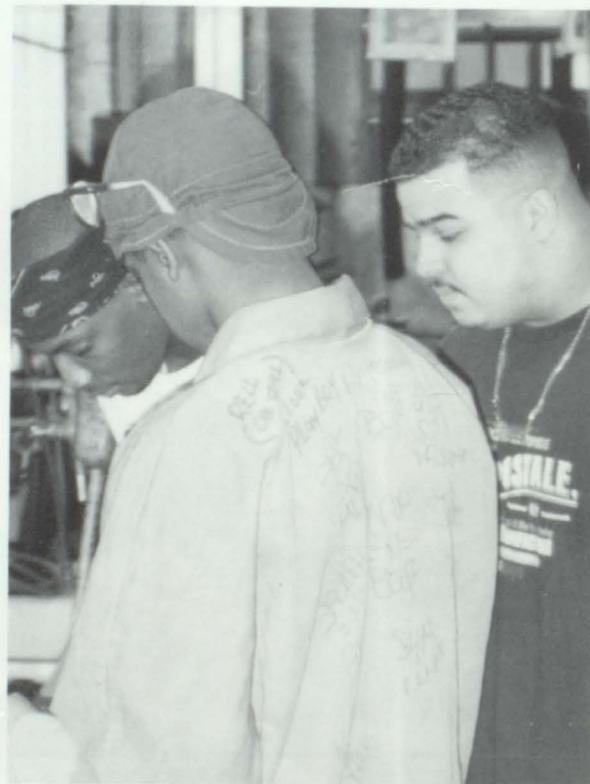
Welding



Stefan gets to play with neat toys, huh?



Shawn says "I know what I'm doing"



I got five on it

College

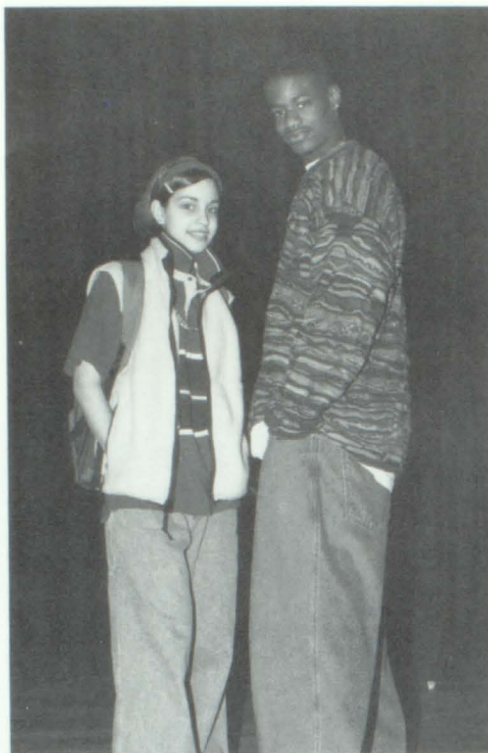


College is fun, but we're bouncing!



Getting jiggy before we leave college

SENIOR U P E R L A T I V E S



Best Dressed
Christine Cacoilo & Fuquan Fuller



Best Friends
Rodrigo Silva & Alex Nobre



Best Friends
Toshiba Walker & Lattera Sumner



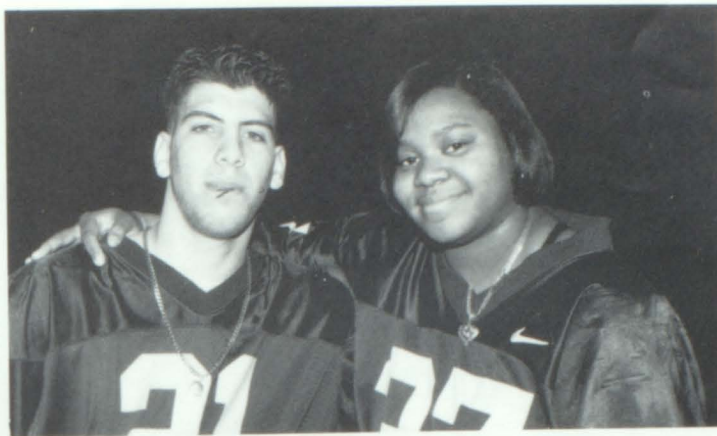
Best Friends
Monica Hernandez, Ravita Bangaroo & Christina Narvaez



Best Looking
Sherlyn Pena & Stefan Lee



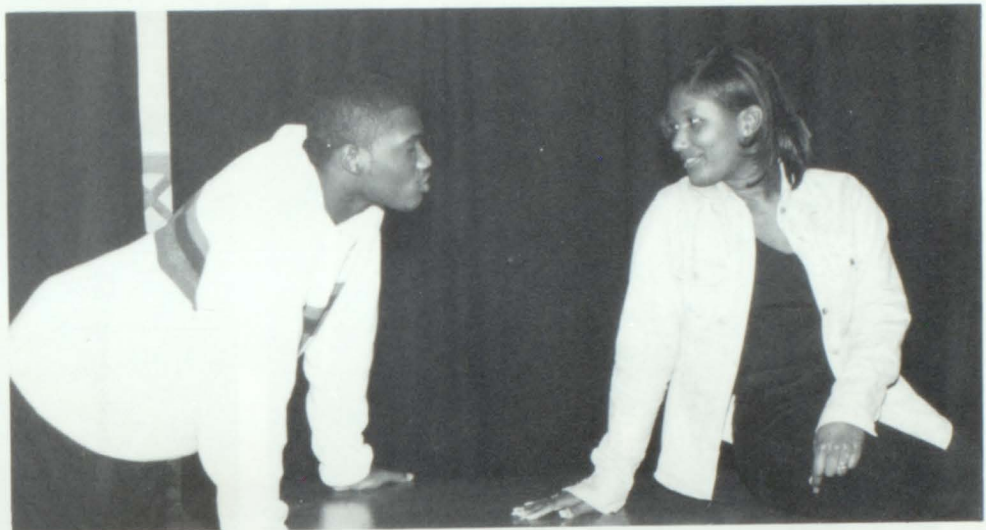
Best Smiles
Sherlyn Pena & Shaun Watford



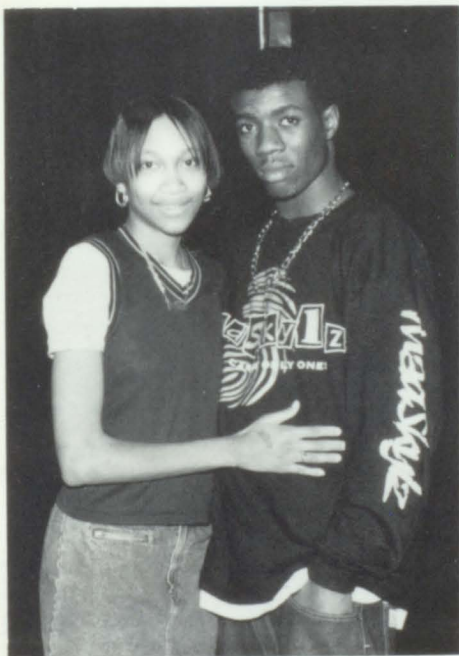
Class Clowns
Angelo Rizzolo & Melissa Lewis



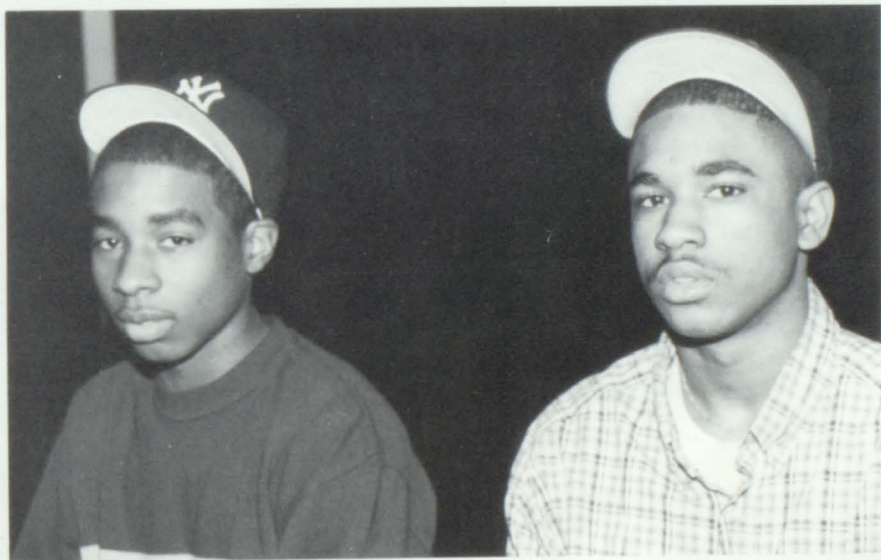
Class Couple
Lisa Saar & Jimmy Pardo



Class Flirts
Shakur Williams & Shakeria Martin

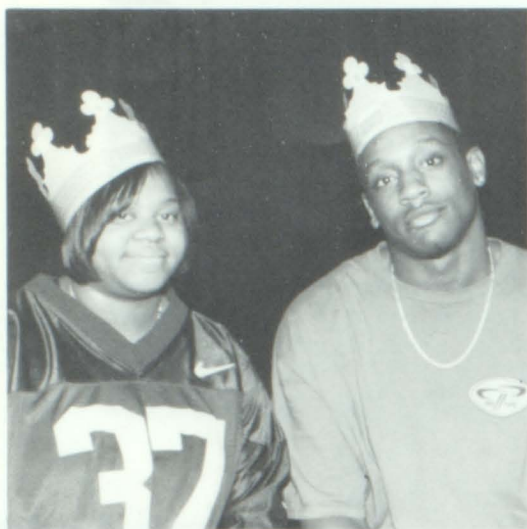


Coolest
Quiana Davidson & Joshua Smith

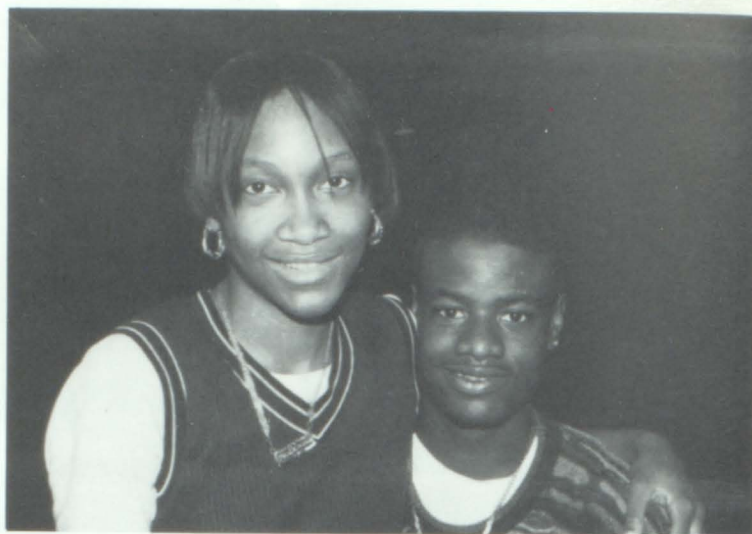


Look Alikes
Michael Bradley & Stefan Lee

S e n i o r



Lunchroom King and Queen
Melissa Lewis & Brian Taylor



Marooned with
Quiana Davidson & Fuquan Fuller

S u p e r l a t i v e s



Most Athletic
Shakur Williams & Charlene Dickens



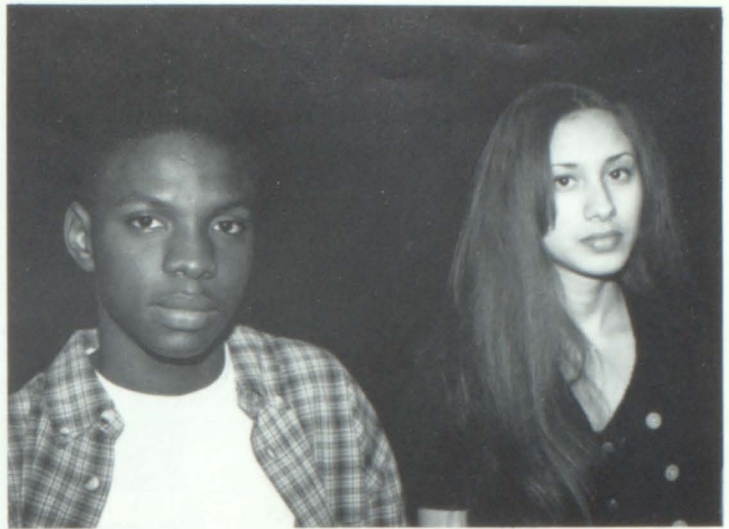
Most Changed
Nicole Perryman & Oscar Guzman



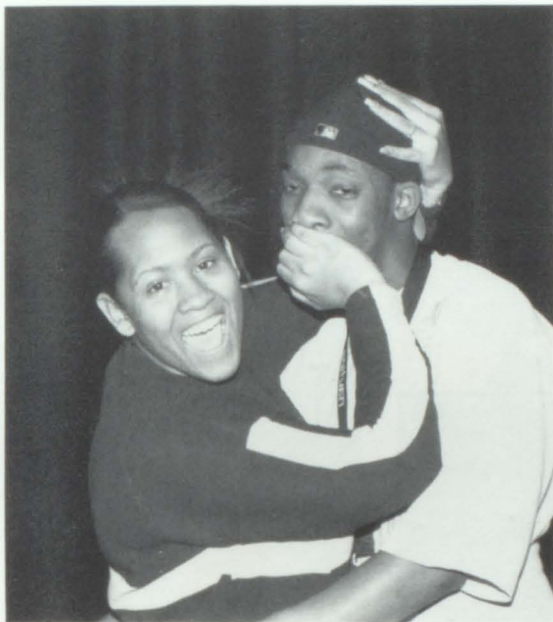
Most Likely To Succeed
Christina Narvaez



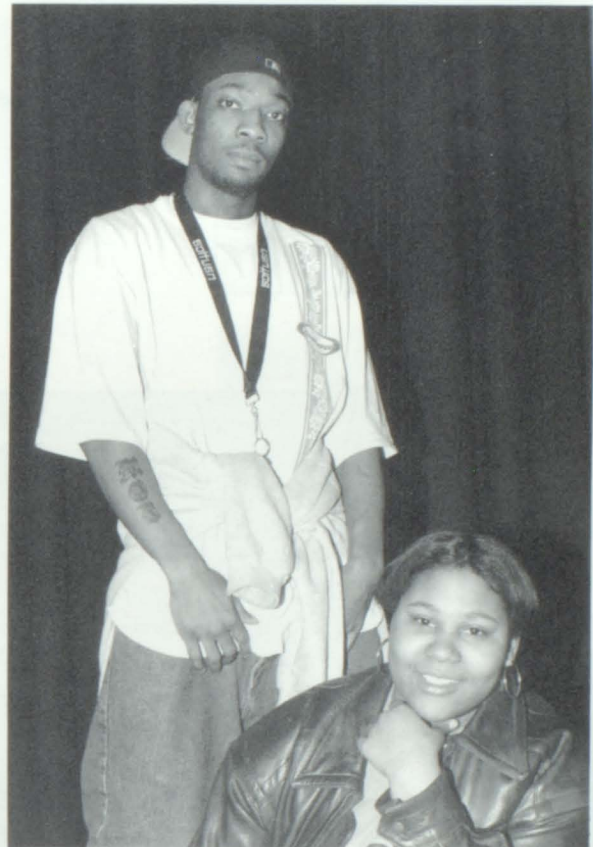
Most Popular
Quiana Davidson & Rashon Brinson



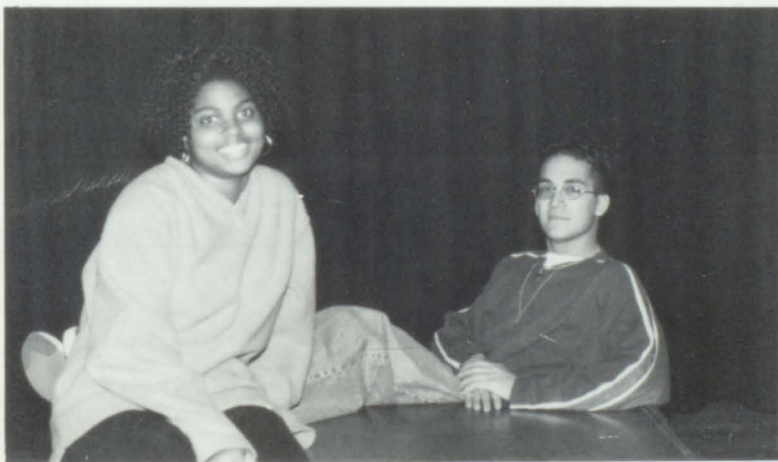
Most Quiet
Bertho Vertil & Limaris Aponte



Most Talkative
Vonee Jackson & Anthony Pearson



Teachers' Terror
Anthony Pearson & LaShonda Alston



Teachers' Pets
Sharonda Smith & Nelson Feliciano



It is already tomorrow, time, which never stops on its journey, will pass before your eyes, and in only a few moments you will be members of the community looking back at the years you spent at Essex County Vocational Technical High School. When you do, the photos, facts, and memories in this book will be your stepping stones to a happy reminiscence.

May your memories of Bloomfield Tech, be pleasant ones, and may your futures be filled with happiness and success.

Sincerely,
Mr. Fiorini

Dear Class Of 1998:

Congratulations on completing one of the major milestones in the preparation of your lives.

Your accomplishments are sufficient to project you into the next phase of your education. Many of you have impressed me throughout your four years as truly outstanding students.

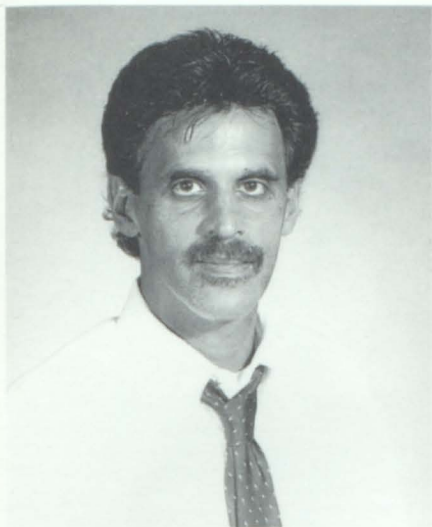
As You go forth in life and reflect on your experiences at Bloomfield Tech and on the individual members of your class, I hope that you will perceive your experiences here as positive and that you use them as valuable tools in your pursuit of an enjoyable and successful life.

Best wishes in all the years ahead. May they be happy and fulfilling ones.

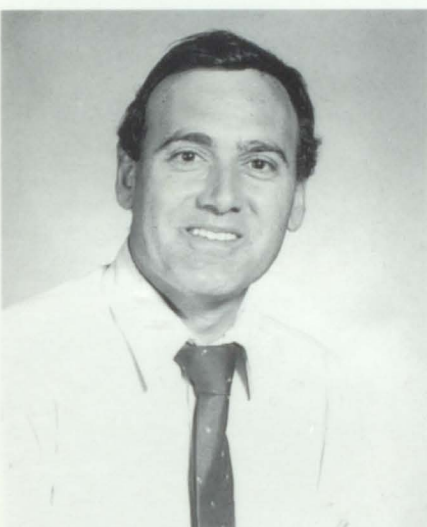
Sincerely,

Eli S. Noble, Jr. Ed.D., Vice Principal





James Pansulla
English



Mr. N. Cucolo
English



Karen Goralski
English
"Like you know"



Dr. Micheal Atheneos
English



Martha Stewart
English



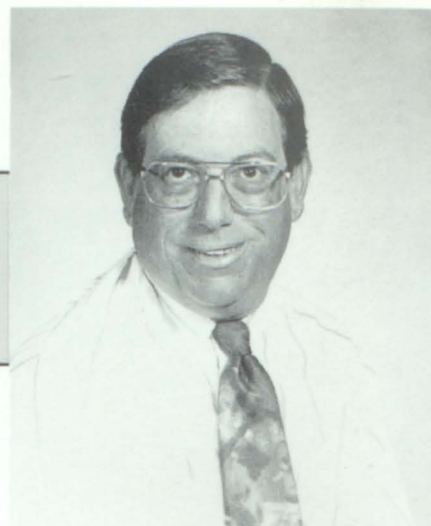
Mrs. D. Yamoah
English



Judith Gomer
English



Dawn Constantino
Biology
"Like Whatever"



William Bromberg
United States History
"I'm Ready"



Sheryl M. Lewis
World History
"I need more peanuts"



Alvin Brizan
Physical Science
"Sure, Sure, Sure"



Mrs. M. Lauterhahn
United States History
"Everyone gets an A"



Kathleen Mc Hugh
Principles of Technology
"I know you're lost just listen"



Ms. P. Dzwonczyk
Algebra



Mrs. V. Atfield
Algebra
"You're all going to fail"



Ms. M. Landis
Algebra



Ms. R. Milbury
Algebra, Trigonometry
"Good, Good, VERY GOOD"



Mary Weigman
Geometry
"It was a run by frootie"



Maureen E. Lawler
Algebra
"Don't hurt me"



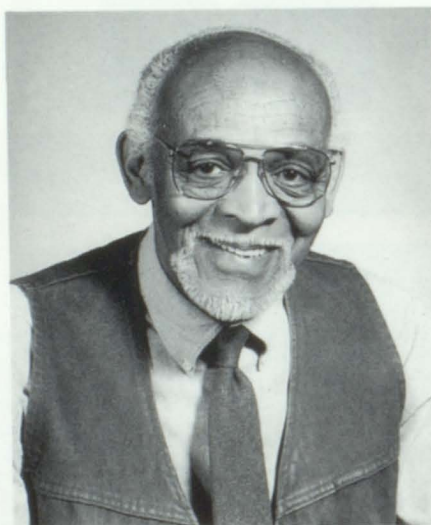
Shirley Lawrence
Algebra
"You guys are crazy"



Mrs. B. Joseph
Computers



Mr. C. Rasheed
Welding



David Jones
Auto



Robert Coletta
Drafting



Mary Colon
Business
"Stop"



Mr. R. Beach
Graphic Arts



James Kinder
Computer
"Judo Chop"



Jack Joseph
Computer Electronics



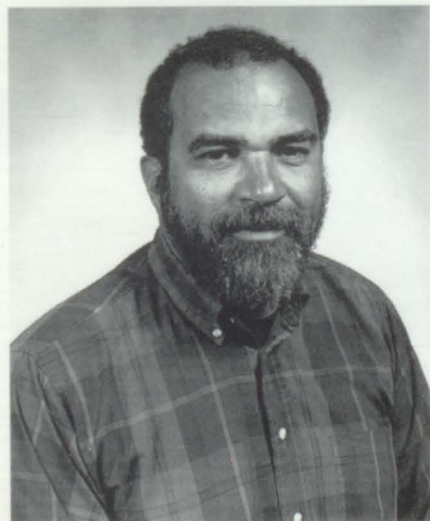
Tom Trakas
Machine



Alf Bertelsen
Carpentry



Mr. D. Romano
Electric



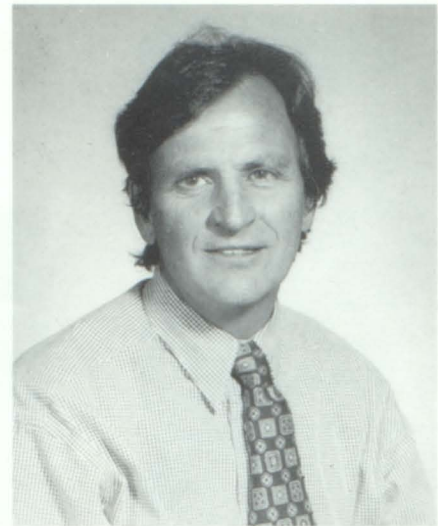
Mr. L. Leach
Auto Technology
"Winky Dink"



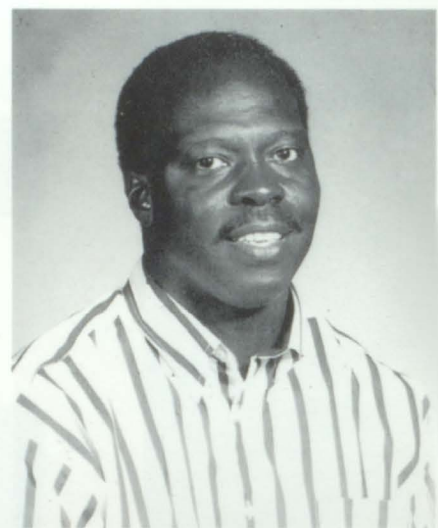
Ms. A. Fischetti
Nurse



Lisa Albano
Gym Teacher/Health



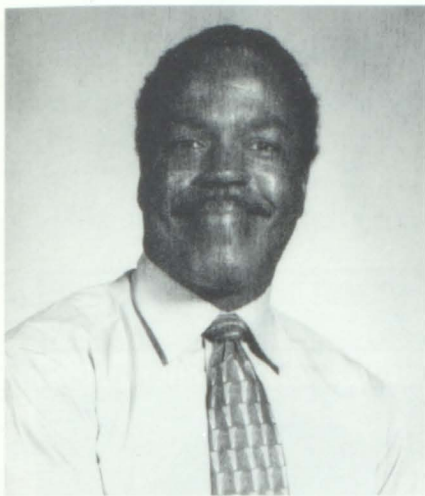
Anthony Perna
Librarian



Sylvester Greenwood
Health/Gym Teacher



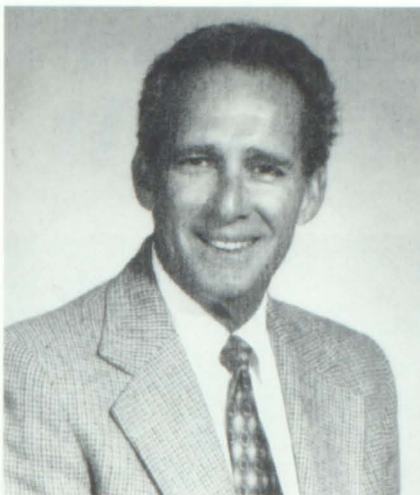
Mr. J. Morgan
Gym Teacher/Health
"2 5 0"



Mr. J. Simosen
Guidance Counselor



Mrs. I. Kennedy
Clerk



Frank Alvarez
Work Study/Counselor



Mrs. L. Rodriguez
Clerk



Mrs. Accocela
Guidance Counselor



Dr. B. Thomason
Guidance Counselor



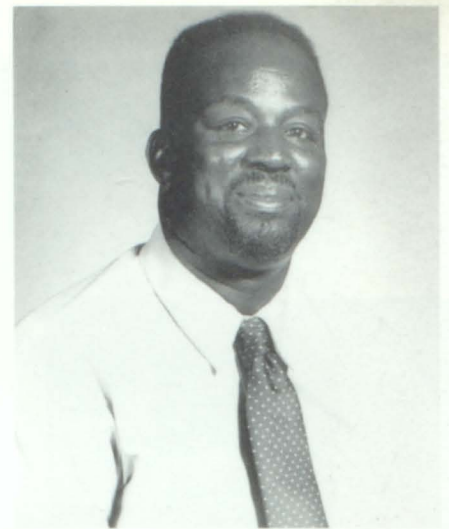
Mrs. M. Serra
Secretary



Michael Prospri
Custodian



Larry Marino
Custodian



Donald Byrd
Custodian



Pinto Joseph
Security



Pablo Plaza
Security



Joan Wilson
Security



Louis Capasso
Custodian



Arroyo Adrian
Custodian

Two Titles That Have Made B.T. History!

This was a great season in basketball. Both the Boys' and Girls' Basketball Teams are North Jersey Group I Sectional Champions! This is the first time in Bloomfield Tech history that both teams have achieved these titles.

This season in boys' basketball was a tremendous season. For the first time in a very long time, the Spartans won the North Jersey Group I Sectional Championship. This team was led by five seniors: Brian Taylor, Rashon Brinson, Shaun Watford, Alex Nobre, and James Harvin. Playing equally hard were the other members of the team who included seniors Shakur Williams, Fuquan Fuller, Joshua Smith and Marlon Jordan. The Spartans made it to the Convention Center in Atlantic City, but one heartbreaking point kept them from further victory. Still, these nine seniors will graduate with the title of Champions, a title that will go down in Bloomfield Tech history!

This year the Lady Spartans had a great year.

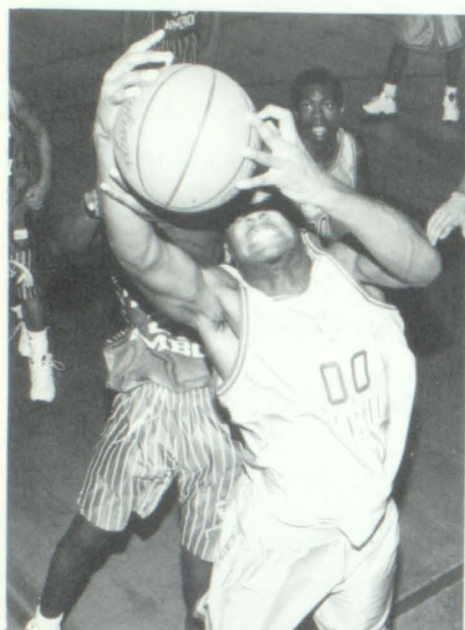
Congratulations again to the Spartans and Lady Spartans basketball teams for a great season, two champions titles, and making B.T. history in 1998! We are all proud of you!

They played hard and they played smart. They also achieved the title of North Jersey Group I Sectional Champions. This was the second time the ladies won the title in three years! There are four seniors on the Lady Spartans Team: Quiana Davidson, Melissa Lewis, Danita Sanders and Charlene Dickens. In the semi-finals, the Lady Spartans played against Bagota and defeated them by one point. "No so called phantom calls this year." Then they took it all the way to the Dunn Center in Elizabeth for the final round. Unfortunately they were defeated despite playing a good game. Still, the four seniors will graduate with the title of champions and the knowledge that they helped make B.T. history.

Written by:

Sharonda Smith

Boys' Varsity Basketball



Brian got all boards



Back Row: Farrah Martin, Shakur Williams, Tiera Lark, Alex Nobre, Martin Heath, Marlon Jordan, Joshua Smith, Mr. Rasheed, Bernard Smith, Omar Brodie

Front Row: James Harvin, Eric Edwards, Fuquan Fuller, Shawn Watford, Brian Taylor, Rashon Brinson, Pedro Hernandez



Rashon gets another two



Joshua says "Ya'll can't hold me"



Senior Shawn Watford



Senior Brian Taylor "Long Dong"



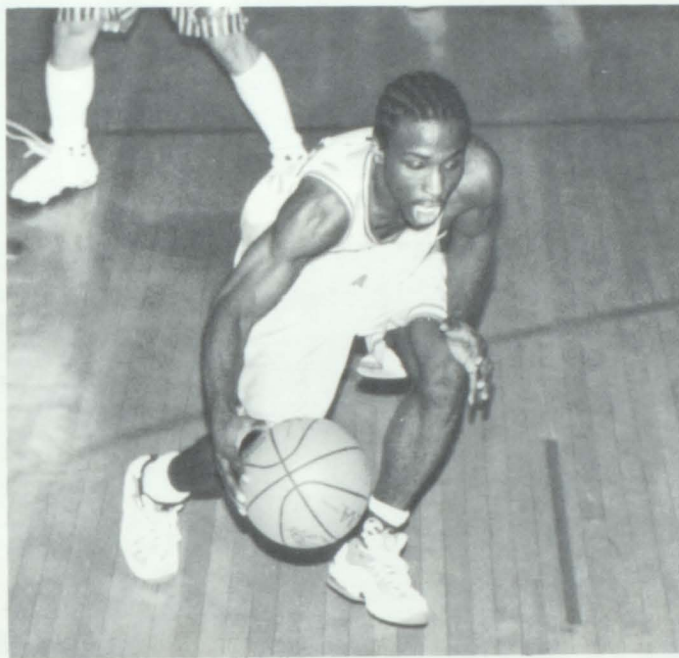
Senior Alex Nobre



Senior Rashon Brinson "Rah"



Senior Fuquan Fuller "Fu"



Rashon takes it to the hole



Senior Marlon Jordan

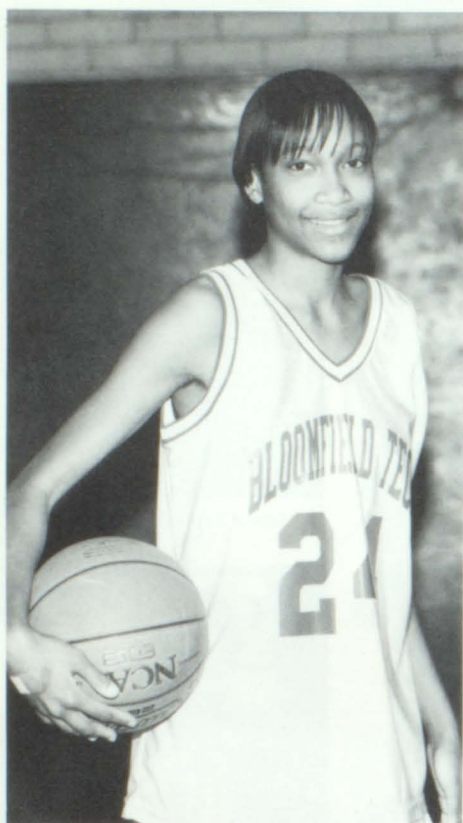


Shawn says "Excuse Me"



Senior James Harvin shows the effort it takes to get to the states

Girls' Varsity Basketball



Senior Quiana Davidson "Skinny"



Senior Melissa Lewis "Biggie"



Senior Charlene Dickens "Jumping Bean"



Back Row: Ms. Lawrence, Danita Sanders, Alia Clark, Quiana Davidson, Tere Joyce, Don-Nita Calhoun, Felicia Gibbs, Takiesha Thompson, Musheerah Ali, Sakeenah Duncan, Ms. Albano Front Row: Yvette Rivera, Toneia Solomon, Charlene Dickens, Melissa Lewis, Valerie Tauriello, Eliza Figueroa, Jessica Chavez



Senior Danita Sanders "Dirty"



Stop! You're not going anywhere!



Biggie goes for two



I want it!



Charlene begins her lay-up



Get out of my way — it's going in!



Coach Lawrence explains things to J.V. Coach Albano

Boys' Junior Varsity Basketball



We're listening coach



Back row: Coach Shadot, Bashon Aquart, Dorian Desir, Corey James, Quadir Ajibulo, Anthony McMillian, Coach Ivey
Front row: Shaton Johnson, David Thomas, Diquan Brown, Jamie Bonner, Manuel Raney, Pierre Campbell



These boys can dunk in practice ...



and in the game.



Sizing up the competition



Keeping it in bounds

Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball



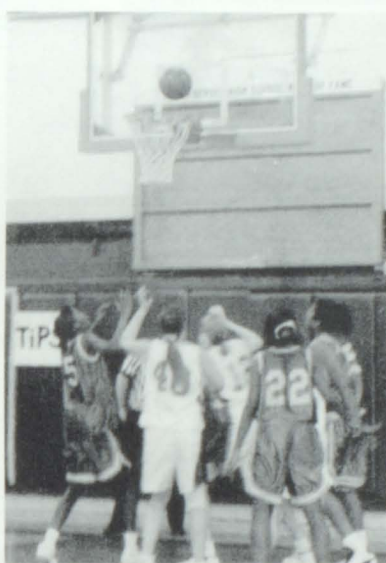
Getting riled up!



Cheering on the team



Coach Albano sets up the plan



Looking for the rebound



Getting the basket!

Bloomfield Tech Cheerleaders



Senior Vonee Jackson



Back row: Sharine Newby, Janaan Williams

Middle row: Taniesha Braithwaite, Jennifer Anderson, Roslyn Patterson

Front row: Monique Abram, Shanita Hunt, Vonee Jackson, Kimberly Butler, Jennifer Weislo

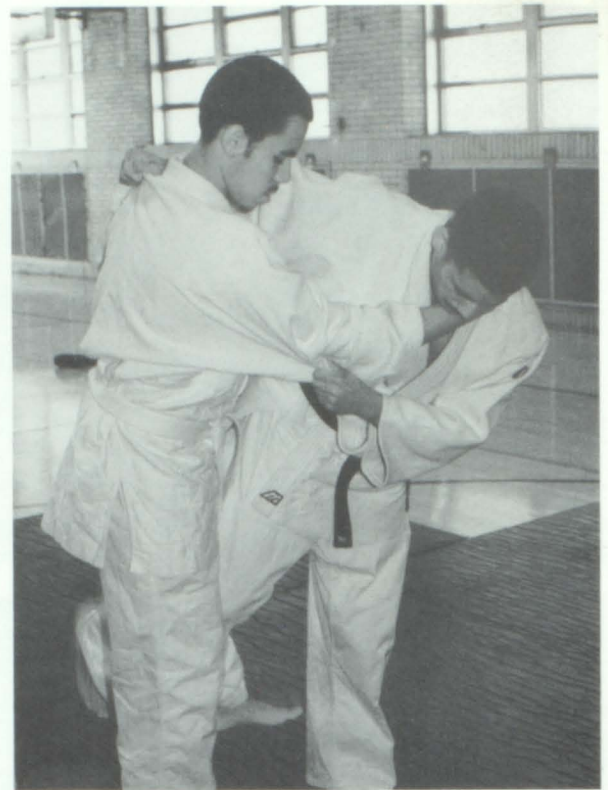




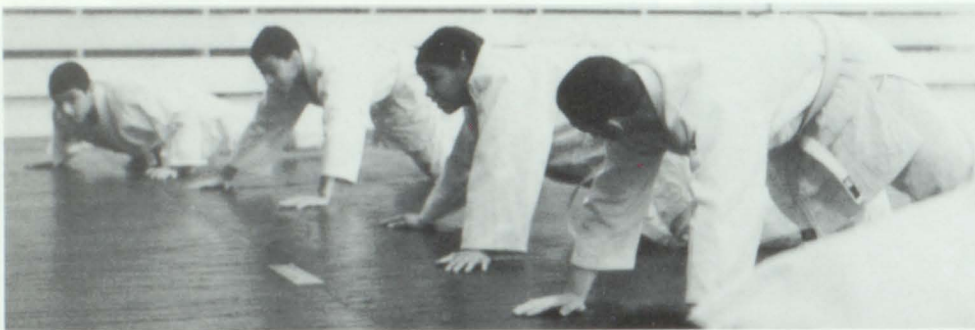
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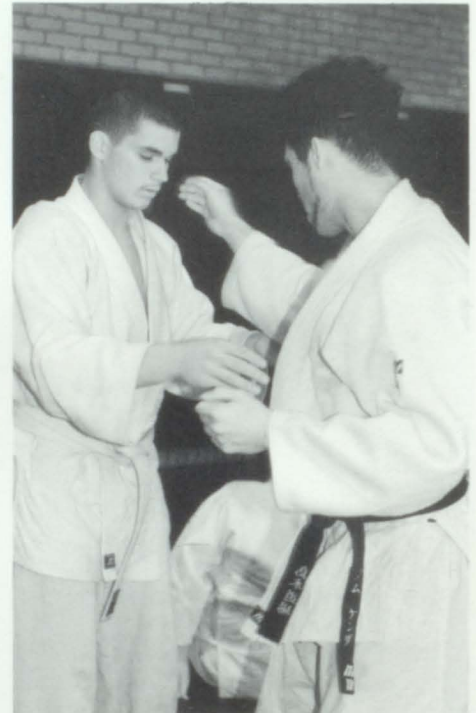
Can we get started here?



Like my shoes?



And 1, and 2, and 3...



"You put your right hand in and your right hand out..."

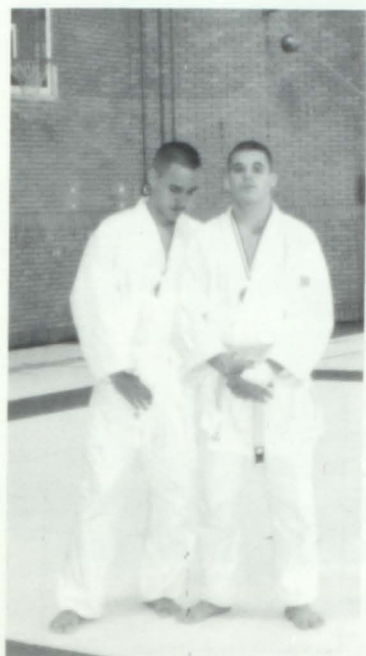


That's gotta hurt!



I'm really a black belt in disguise...

Bloomfield Tech's 1st Judo Tournament



Boys' Baseball



Senior
Fuquan Fuller



Back row: Coach Bromberg, Sharon Salvador, Carlos Gonzalez, Fuquan Fuller, Luis Rivera, David Guzman, William Aviles, Damary Sanchez, Coach Romano *Middle row:* Rodrigo Silva, Raymond Diaz, Richard Gonzalez, Gustavo Perez, Jesus Cornier *Front row:* Yurko Gramajo, Luis Cortez, Jesus Sanabria, Jordy Nivar, Enrique Matos



Senior
Carlos Gonzalez Jr.



Senior
Luis Rivera



Managers
Damary Sanchez & Sharon Salvador



Senior
Yurko Gramajo



Senior
Rodrigo Silva



Coaches
Mr. Bromberg & Mr. Romano



So even if you try to hit us ...



we're gonno catch ya' ...



run by ya' ...



strategize against ya' ...



hit whatever you throw ...



and then slide ...



safely onto base!

Girls' Softball



Senior
Christine Cacoilo



Back row: Nubia Velez, Anny Pena, Lee Perez, Denise Villanueva, Cindy Santana Center row: Ms. Albano, Gladys Rodriguez, Charlene Dickens, Madelyn Rivera, Rose Pires, Karen Gonzalez, Lissette Rodriguez, Annie Gonzalez Front row: Stephanie Andalora, Christine Cacoilo, Valerie Tauriello, Susana Ponte, Oriana Tejada, Aimee Torres



Senior
Charlene Dickens



Senior
Karen Gonzalez



Senior
Gladys Rodriguez





We can put it outta here . . .



but we'll strike you out . . .



wait for what you do hit . . .



then put you out on base . . .



or in the air!

In between we can relax (below) and refresh (bottom right)



Sports

Sports

Sports



Sports

Sports

Sports



Monique Abram
Aneudi Abreu
Lissette Acevedo



Musheerah Ali
Angel Amador
Dominic Andalora



Jackelyn Arce
Kyishiwa Armour
Daniel Arocho
Deneishea Banks
Laronica Beverly
Kevin Bradley



Monica Burgos
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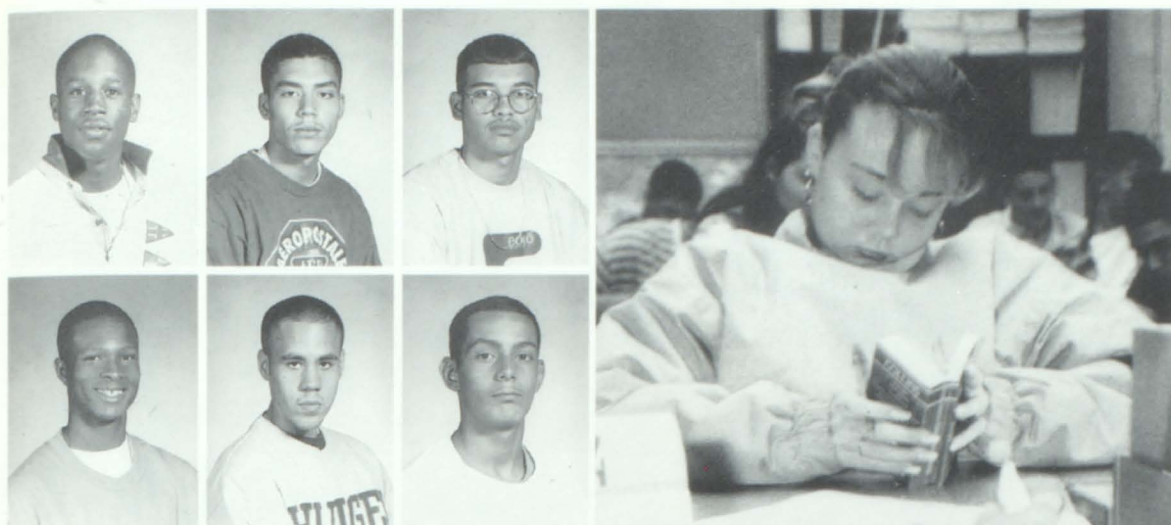


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Wally Delcid
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Annila Dookie



Eric Edwards
Erick Espejo
India Fogg
Richard Gonzalez





Carnel Gourdine
Leonardo Grau
David Guzman

Martin Heath
Joseph Hernandez
Pedro Hernandez



Yahaira Hernandez
Shaliele Hunt
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Shanita Hunt
Edwin Irizarry
Shahton Johnson



Tierre Lark
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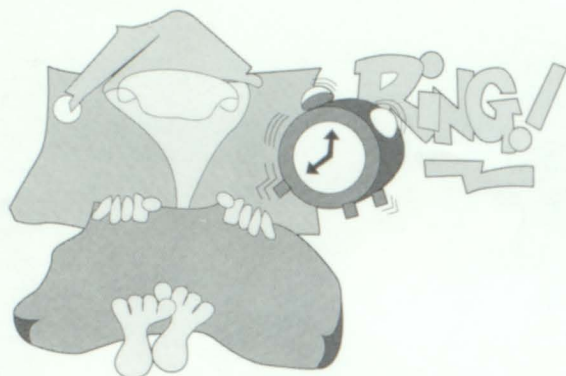
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Candi Rivera
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Vanessa Rivera

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Marian Vazquez

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Sandra Vieira
Jahmar White
Dysheera Whitfield
Tunisia Williams



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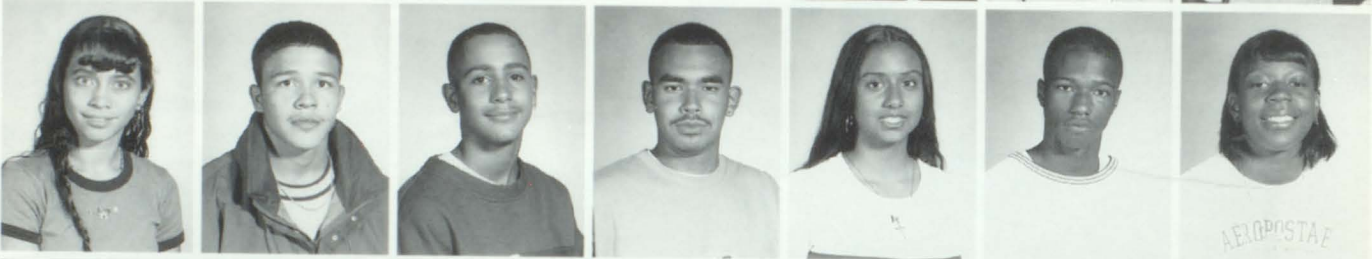
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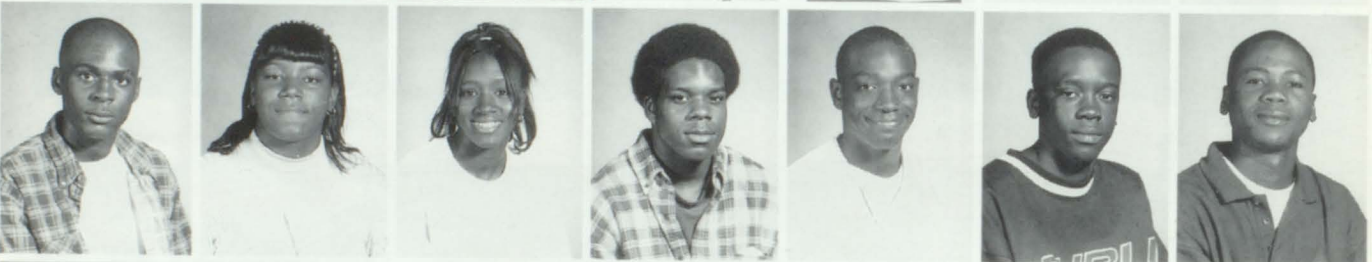
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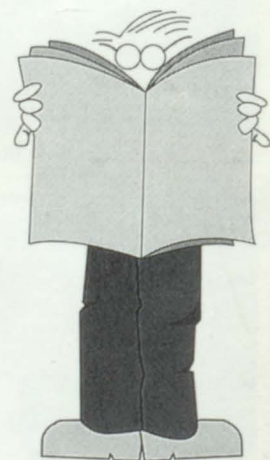
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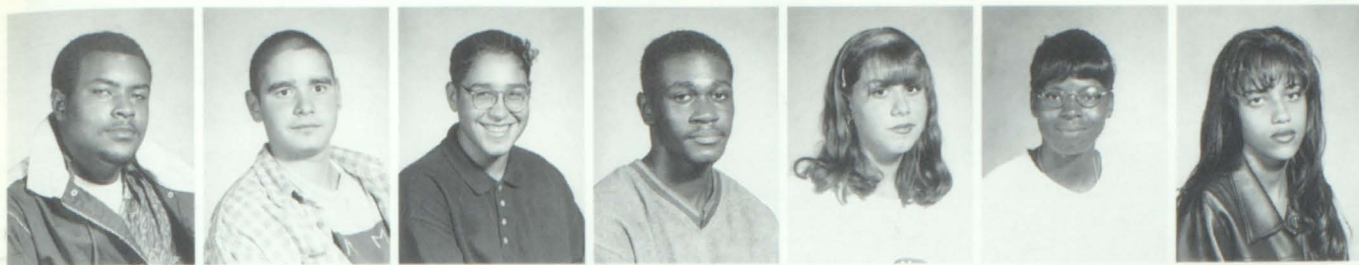


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RAYNARD LOTT
MARCUS A. LUGARDO
NATASHA LUGO



MOHAMED MAMOOD
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JARRET MC LUCAS
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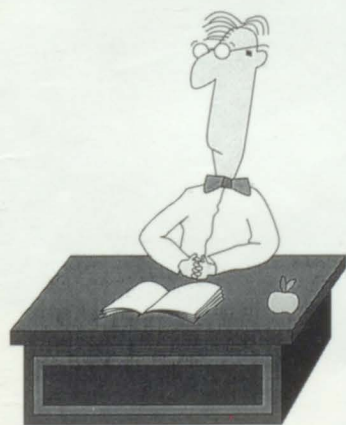
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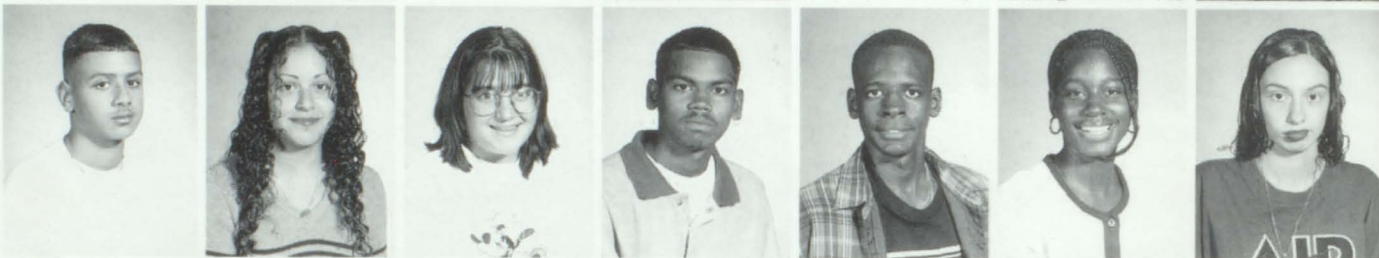
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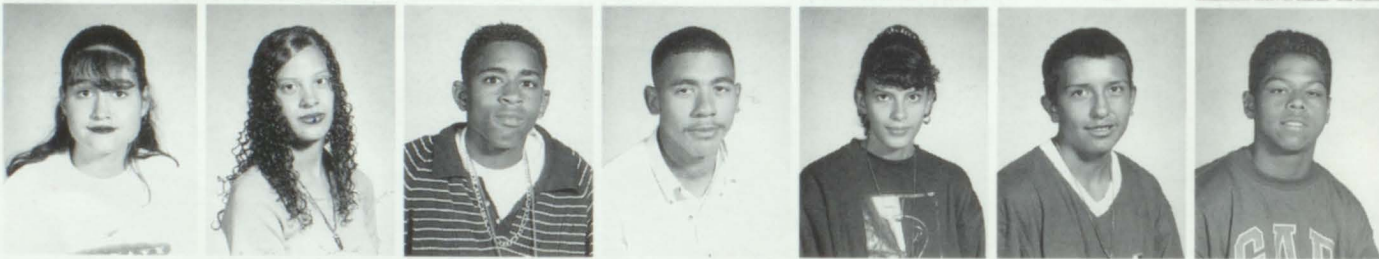
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Veronica Alvarez
Belinda Anderson
Jennifer Anderson
David Andrade



Helen Arias
Luis Arriaga
Pablo Aviles
Javier Ayala
Veronica Baez
Miguel Balseca
Edna Baptista



Marcos Bermudez
Sean Biggs
Wajeedah Branch
Saneesha Brooks
Tiffanie Brown
William Brown
Twanda Burney



Kimberlee Butler
Kyla Butler
Lilian Cabrera
John Campos, Jr.
Jessica Chavez
Nijyyah Colter
Luis Cotez



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Richardo Cruz
Ruben Cruz
Pablo Cubas
Andrew DaSilva
Feona Day
Ivette Delossantos



Bjorn Denniseur
Dorian Desir
Carlos Dias
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Sakira Duncan
Lissette Escobar



Phillip Fields
Illissa Figueroa
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Vilma Flores





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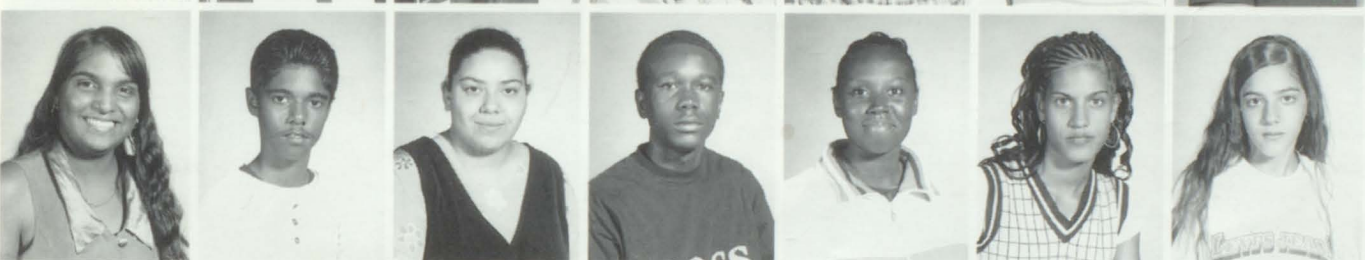
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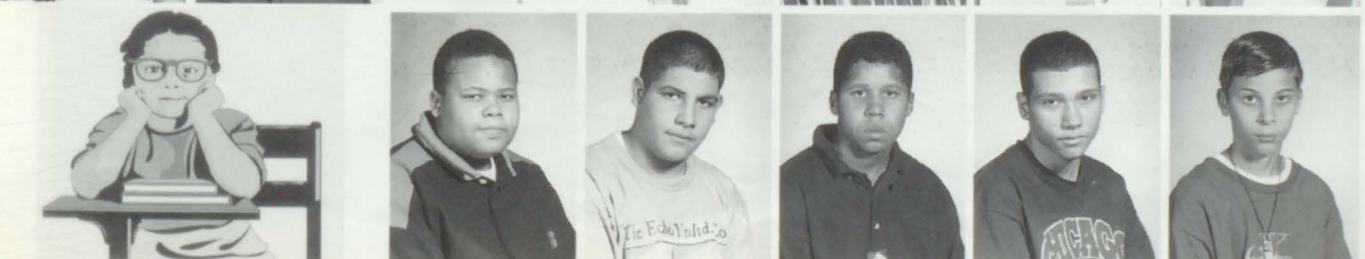
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Walter Perez
Joel Pinto
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Jessica Santiago
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Dana Shareef
Derrick Smith
Latria Smith



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Anthony Tonic, Jr.
Madelin Torres
Tiffany Valle
Yertiza Vargas
Daniel Velez
Nubia Velez



Michael Venezia
Jeanette Villa
Ramon Villablanca
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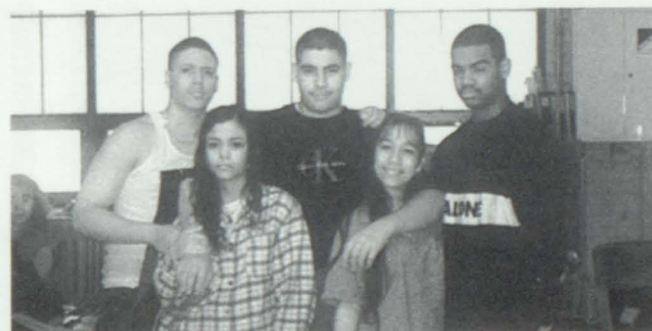
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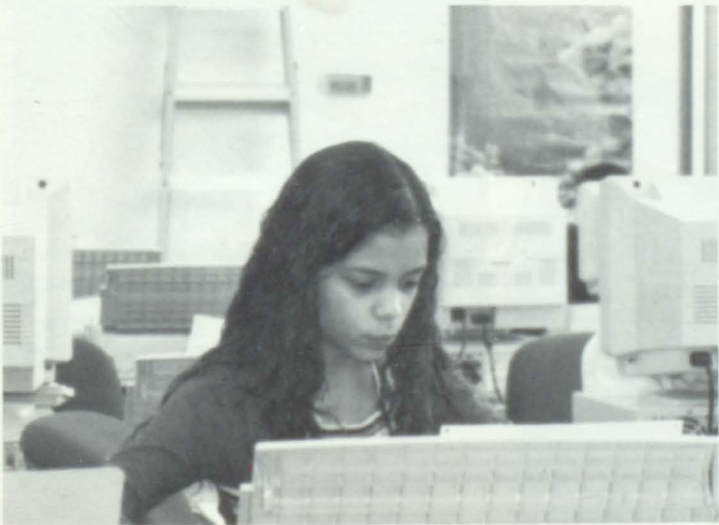
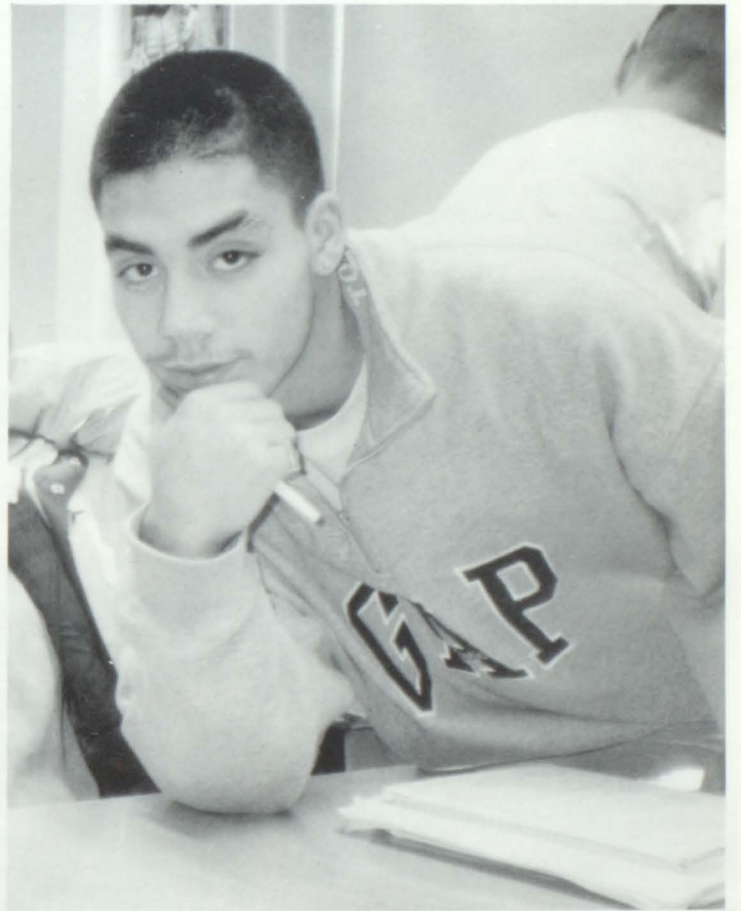
Machine



Welding

A final look at the future seniors of BT





C L U B S

Back row: Richard Nathan, Ms. Constantino, Jamal Johnson, Cecilla Carrillo, Feona Pay
Front row: Bernard Smith, Rosa Pires, Kristopher Long, Damary Sanchez

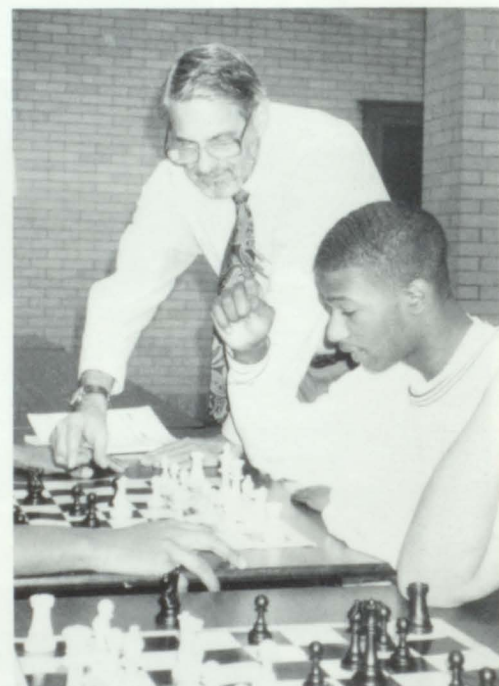
The Art Club



Back row: Stephan Lee, Jihad Martin,
Dr. Atheneos, Marlon Jordan, Jeffrey
Correa, Michael Bradley
Front row: Dennis Ellington, Terrance
Daniels



The Chess Club



Dr. A gives advice on the next move

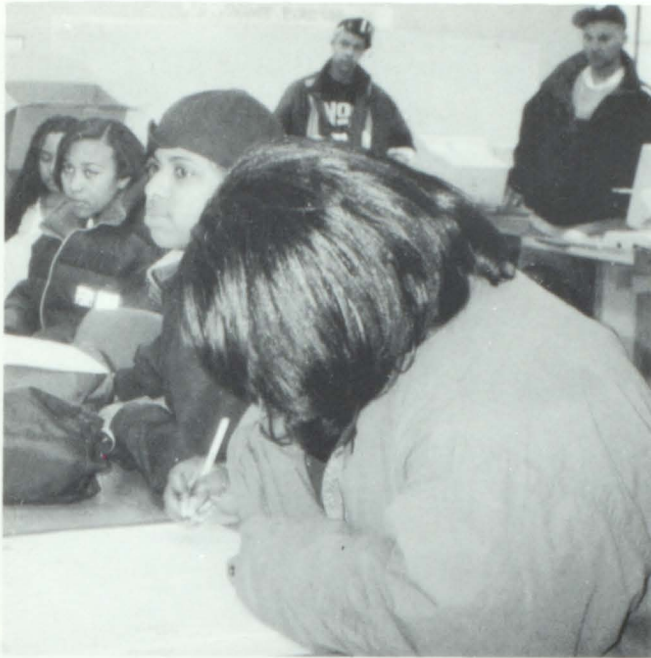


We're down to two games

The final match



Future Business Leaders of America **C L U B S**



Planning for the future



Decisions are made



Smiling is an important skill in business



Not everyone agrees with every decision



Business is a compromise



The boss always has final say

Heritage Clubs

We celebrate Black History Month



Seniors Delania Simola and Brian Taylor sing the Black National Anthem

We celebrated with song and we celebrated with dance



Heritage Clubs

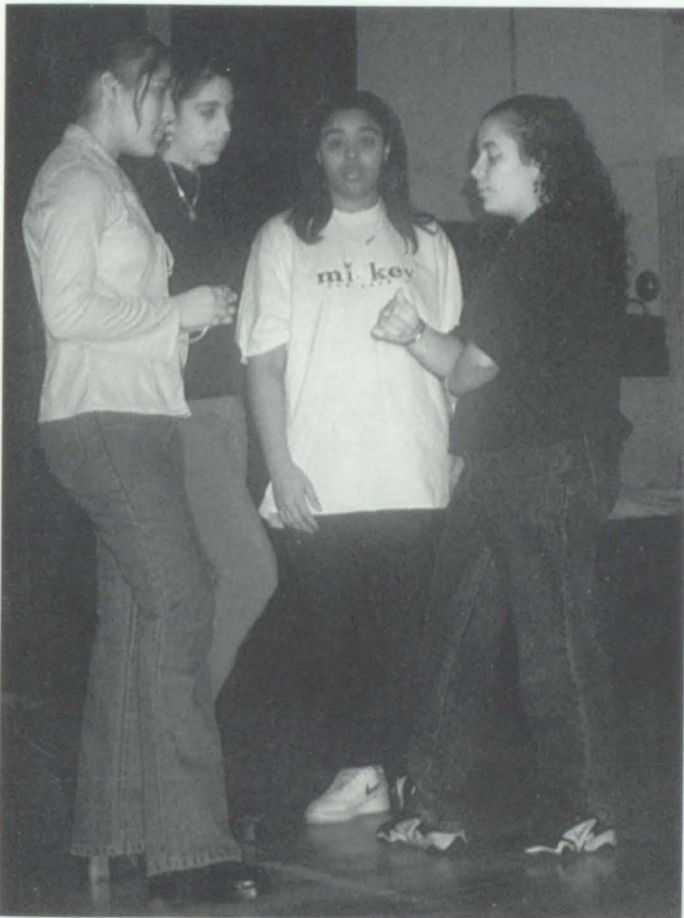
We celebrate Hispanic Heritage



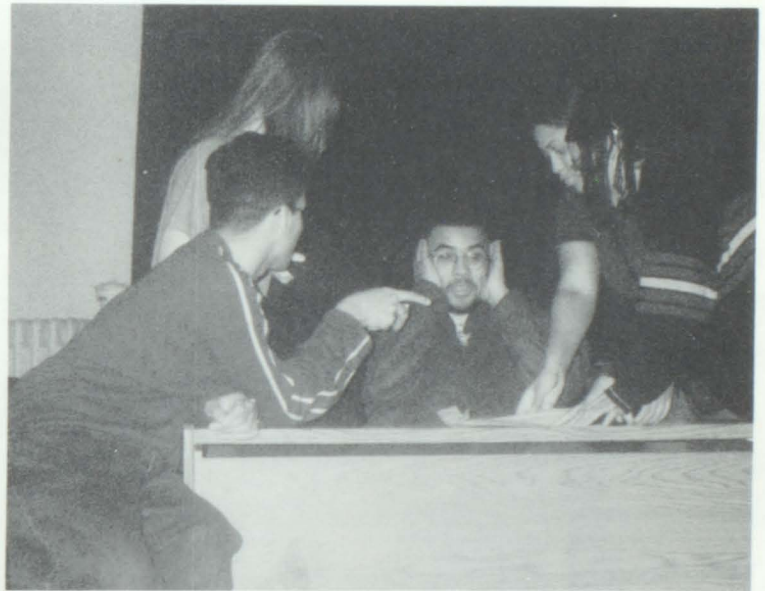
The whole ensemble gathers together



Enrique is hard to reason with sometimes



The ladies work on their dance steps



Everyone has different ideas!



CLUBS



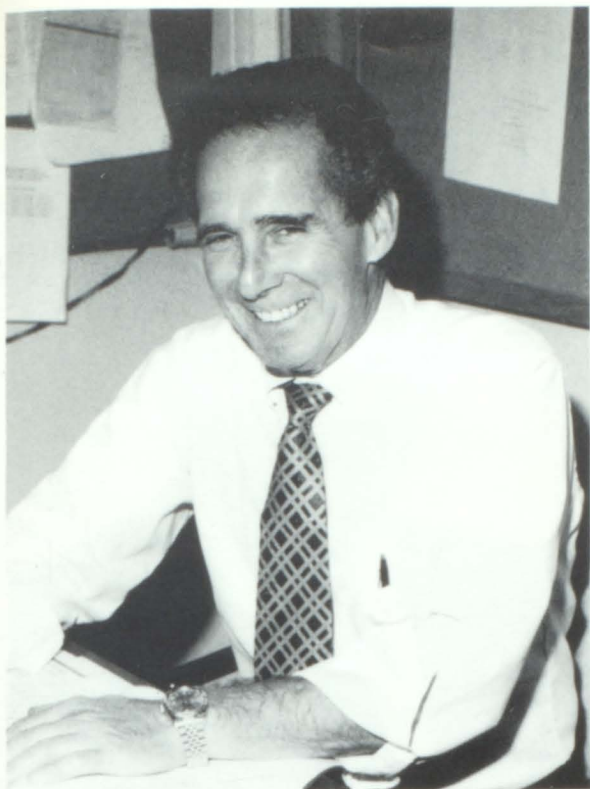
*Senior
Senate*



*Student
Council*



VICA



*Mr. Alvarez
Good luck
and Farewell
as with the seniors
you leave us.
Thank you from us all.*

After just four years, it seems so hard to say goodbye, but imagine how it must be after thirty-four years. Yes, after thirty four years of devoted service, Mr. Alvarez is retiring. He started here as a Machine Manufacturing Shop teacher when Bloomfield Tech was an all-boys school. Mr. Alvarez really enjoyed how practical jokes went on every day when he first started here. He feels the faculty today is really missing out. "The new people on staff are not team players, they're more loners. I liked it better when everyone laughed and played around." Just then the phone rings and Mr. Alvarez talks for a while. "That's exactly what I'm talking about. That was Bromberg just calling to say every detail I should tell you. Yeah, me and Bromberg go way back with those practical jokes," he says while hanging up the phone

with a little laugh.

This humble man who helped many of us get part-time jobs feels his greatest accomplishment is when students come back who have been really successful and say, "You're the guy that got me going, Thanks." His message to the students is to, "Stay in school and do your best because today the job market is unbelievable unless you're prepared for it."

Upon retirement, Mr. Alvarez plans to travel with his wife, look after his grandchildren, and play lots of golf. So now Mr. Alvarez will be leaving behind many of his friends with no regrets because it was a "very enjoyable and satisfying thirty-four years."

Interview by:
Lisa M. Saar



Mr. Fontanazza

Thank you for keeping
Bloomfield Tech a great
place to work
and learn.

It seems we are not the only ones leaving Bloomfield Tech behind to move forward with the rest of our lives. Mr. Fontanazza is also retiring this year after 30 years of being in the Essex County Vo-Tech system. Mr. Fontanazza started here as a custodian and worked his way up to being the head custodian. It took a lot of work. Mr. Fontanazza is the one who came up with the school's new inventory system, which was an idea for two years, but is now a reality. He is also the one who closed up Irvington Tech and got ECVTS their biggest auction.

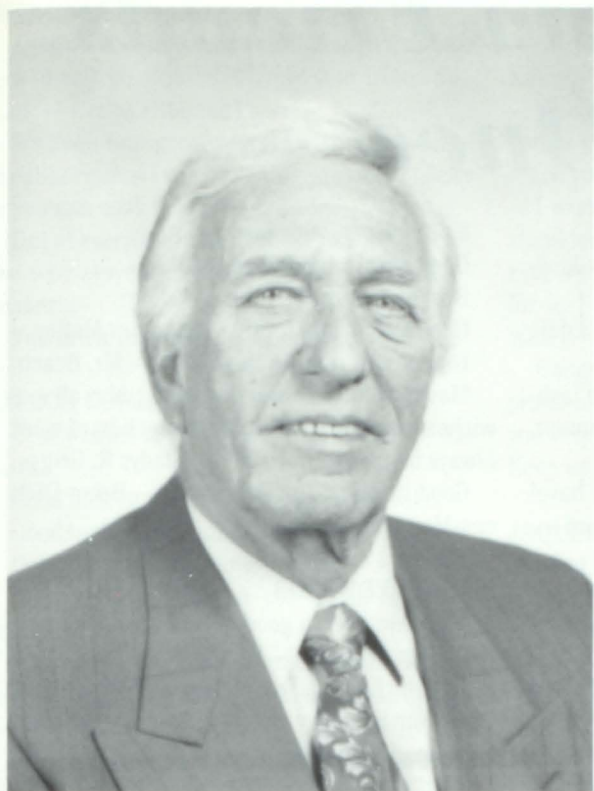
Yet, there were also a lot of fun times. He told me how during the summer, he and another custodian would go on top of the roof, fill a trash can with water, and pour it on the head of the head custodian at that time.

When asked what he'll miss most about the school, he had a couple of things, "I will miss working with the men, teachers, principal, and the students, especially the students. I remember breaking up many fights and sitting there talking for a while with them, working out their problems."

Upon retiring, Mr. Fontanazza plans to, "hang around doing what I want, when I want," and traveling to Florida and Toms River to see his family and going to Las Vegas once a year with his co-workers for about a week. So now he will leave behind 30 years of being, "happy to do whatever central office asked of him."

Interview by:

Lisa M. Saar



***Mr. Simonsen
You selected the students
to fill our classrooms
then guided them
all through high school.
You did great kid!***

How time flies when you're enjoying what you are doing. Mr. Simonsen started out as a shop teacher, teaching multi-shops (Carpentry, Masonry, Electric, and Mechanical Drawing) to freshmen. He tried his best to guide students in the right direction. Mr. Simonsen has been in the school system for 38 years, and even met with a parent who he had as a student years ago. The parent asked him when he was going to retire and Mr. Simonsen said when your grandson graduates.

5 schools. He found Bloomfield Tech the easiest to adjust to and the cleanest, strongest, and finest faculty and student body of all 5 schools. He loves and will miss all of the wonderful people he met in this school system, and the warmth and camaraderie he has with the teachers, support staff, and student body. Once he is retired, he will get on his boat and sail the eastern coast line enjoying every minute of it and helping his son with the home he purchased.

In all these 38 years of working for the school system, Mr. Simonsen has been to all

Interviewed by:

Luis Olivencia

To the Seniors from Friends and Loved Ones

MICHAEL ALMEIDA

Congratulations on your graduation. Good luck and best wishes for all your future endeavors. — Nina F.

Congratulations to the one I love with all my heart. I hope you fulfill your dreams of success and happiness. — Celia

Congratulations to our son. You have always made us happy and always will. We wish you lots of luck and strength to fulfill your dreams. Love You Always — Mommy & Daddy

Good luck in what the future holds for you. Stay strong and smart and you will achieve success. Remember I will always be your little sister through good times and bad. Love & Kisses — Stephanie

Congratulations on your graduation Michael. We hope that all your dreams for the future will be fulfilled. Hard work will accomplish this — Mr. & Mrs. Ben Perlmutter

Our best wishes to you Michael on your graduation. We know your special abilities and hard work will lead to much success in the future. Good Luck! — The Rubin Family

Best wishes to my beloved nephew. Keep up the good work for your dreams will come true. Love you & always be there for you — Uncle Paulo

Good luck Michael in the future. We love you and support you always. Keep up the good work and be yourself — Mr. & Mrs. Campos

Michael, congratulations on your graduation. Best of luck in your future. Hope all your dreams come true. We know you can do it. Love & Kisses — DaCosta Family

Hope this year was fun for you and whatever you do in your life, I hope you make the right decision. — Your Friend Sam

JULIO AVILES

To the best student in Graphics. Good luck in college — Your favorite teacher, Mr. Beach

We wish you the best. Stay in school and you will get your goals. Keep your head on your shoulders and your goals in your head. You can always count on us — Wady & Glenda

Congratulations! You have just taken the first step to accomplishing your goals. Next step is college. I know you will do well so have faith and give it your best. God bless you and good luck. Love Ya Bro — Miguel

CRISTINE CACOILLO

Have good luck in the future Honey!!! — Jordy Nivar

I was better in playing the trumpet — Eddie Navedo

Well, you've been a good friend. You're fashionably correct and have a great sense of humor. Good luck Loser! — Nelson F

You are the coolest friend anyone can have! Don't change! I'm going to miss you, man! — Kathy

Just be yourself always! Stay weird! — Shakeria

QUIANA DAVIDSON

Skinny, gain weight and grow another fingernail, peace! — Biggie

Skinny, Good luck to you in the future! — Danita

To a good friend who has been there for me. Good luck in life and stay sweet and nice. — Lisa

TAMARA K. DAWKINS

I wish you the best of luck. May God bless you always. Be good — Maribel

I hope and wish you the best of luck in all your endeavors in life this one and the next — Tarik Rashir Ali

Not much to say but best wishes — Rajohn Fate

Follow your dreams, you'll be a success! — Norma Cesaire

What da dealio, you're supposed to shine 'cause you're a star. Word, like don't forget me 'cause I made you famous now you know who da blame is — Ock Daddy Bootknock

Good Luck! Keep your head up! — Steve

Good luck in the future — Latisha aka the bomb

With much love and best wishes — Rhonda

Good luck on your journey in life — Latasha

Remember me from beginning in your business — Simone

CARLOS DIAZ

Good luck in all of your endeavors! — Testing & Refurbishing Dept., Phone Express Inc.

Good Luck 'Lil C' stay cool and remember the Navy — Monte

CHARLENE DICKENS

Help create a beautiful world — Mrs. Lauterhahn

Good luck and God bless — Andy

Good luck in the future — Alta

Best of luck in the future — John

Good luck in the future — Barbara Motley

Lots of luck from Graphic Arts — Mr. Beach

May your future always be bright. May all your wishes come true, but it takes much hard work. Always be true to yourself! — Gladys R. Griggs

Good luck and God bless you — Brian Dickens-Martoe

SHMERA EDWARDS

You have been a good friend. Good luck after H.S. Keep in touch — Elizabeth

Good luck with all your future endeavors. Keep away from boys/stay in school. When you succeed bring me the money — Cat

Good luck and best wishes — Van & Kevin

Good luck, best wishes, proud of you. Love — Ruth

To the dream of life. To success, to become greater than dreams. Build your mountain, claim it, be proud — DJ

Whatever you do make sure you do it well and accomplish it. Love — Toshiba

I'm very proud of you. Good luck baby — love Mommy, Duck, and Patricia

I love you Godmother, forever — Camille

Don't be a dummy. Good luck, I love you — Geraldine

Good luck, niece, Love you — Aunt Lillian

DENNIS ELLINGTON

Call me when you win the Nobel Prize — Mrs. Lauterhahn

Your character is exemplary — Dr. Atheneos

Best wishes in your future — J. Pansulla — English teacher

You can do it — follow your dreams — M. Weigman

May you attain the promise "Real Life" that awaits us in the very near future . . . 1 Tim. 6:19 — love Mom

Life ain't no crystal staircase for nobody so you keep going on climbing life's stairs to success. — Love Grandma

So proud of you, continue striving to reach your goals every day taking a page from God's word to guide you — Cor

I am proud of you and keep looking toward spiritual goals for the future — T

NELSON FELICIANO

Keep on keepin it real. Don't change and good luck in college. But don't forget your friend Batman — Carlos (Batman)

It's been four great years! I wish you the best in culinary arts! I will be calling you in the future so you can cook for me!! — Kathy

Out of everyone in this school you are the only one who stayed true to yourself. Good luck — Shakeria

You are a cool Herb. — Christine

CARLOS GONZALEZ

Best wishes & good luck, Papi Chulo — Yahaira

Good luck in all you do, baby! — Marian

Good luck! I'm gonna miss you! — Damary

Good luck in everything you do! — A Friend

Good luck in whatever you do all right! — Norberto

You are so special. Congratulations! We are so proud of you. — Love your Mom & Dad Carlos-n-Ovi

We are all proud of you. With all our love we wish you the best that life can offer — Love your Mom & Dad and sister Aracelis

Congratulations! Good luck Carly. Continue your success in the future. We are very proud of you. — Love your Godparents, Aila & Luis

Thanks for everything. You have been more than a brother, you have been a close friend, someone I can trust and know is there for me. Good luck in the future! — Love your sister, Aracelis

Congratulations Carly. We are all proud of you. "Good Luck" Baby. God Bless you today and always. Keep doing the best you can. — love always your Uncle & Aunt, Junior & Mita

KAREN GONZALEZ

Congratulations! I'm very proud of you. The best is yet to come. I know you will succeed in your future endeavors. My door is always open for any help you need. God bless you and thanks for being a great sister-in-law. — Linda

Congratulations! I never doubted you would make it. I'm very proud of you and I know you will continue to give your best in everything you do. I know you will do great in college and remember your big brother loves you and is here for you. God bless and good luck. I love you — your brother Miguel

Girl, we finally made it!! We've been best friends for 4 years and I don't want that to change now. Good luck you buggerface in all your endeavors. Bye you xeno-phile. — Lisa

Hope you accomplish all your goals and 'congratulations' — Carles G.

I wish you all the best of luck in the future. May you accomplish all of your dreams. — Kathy

Well, we cheated in Sophomore year, failed in Junior year, and leave in Senior year. I hope you reach your goals. — Nelson F

I wish you the best. Keep your head on your shoulders and your dreams will come true. Don't ever let me down. You have the potential so go for it. I will always be on your side. — Uncle Waldy

Congratulations! Cari, you have made me very proud and I know you will make it in life. I love you very much and I will always be here for you. Keep up the good work. — Mommy

JAQUEENA JONES

Good luck in the future, Queenie. — Shatina Purkett

God bless you for being a good godmother. — William Boyd

No matter what you do in life I will always love you — Grandma

Best wishes, congratulations, try hard and succeed. — Luther D. Barnes

Congratulations, best of all things, don't stop. — Cliff Mitchell

Have courage and do the best you can and God will bless you. — Rev. James A. Dunlap

Congratulations to Queenie a wonderful young lady — Bobby Spann

May God bless you; further your education. — Dec. John White

I love you, but you're a pest. Congratulations! — Bro. Wilson

I love you dearly, congratulations! — Sean Vaughan

Thank you for loving me, Congratulations! — Javen

Congratulations, I will always love you. — Sis. Lizzie Jackson

No one wishes the best for you more than I do. Congratulations baby — Love Mom

I hope you succeed in whatever you do because I want to be just like you. — your little sister Valenna

Congratulations. Hope you succeed in reaching your goals — Sis. Burgers

Good luck in the future and may God bless you always — Kariem

A very sweet young lady who I have known for a short time, but I pray that she will be successful in life. — Love Lawrence

To my sister — good luck in the future — James Dunlap, Jr.

Keep it real because God isn't finished with you yet. Congratulations Miss Bee — Uncle Robert Jones

Sweetness — I love you honey. Good luck and congratulations! — Darren

SALIK KEY

Here's to a wonderful future! Good luck and congratulations! — Dr. Gail Schupak

Good luck in your future. Best of luck always. Dr. Am Ricciardi & staff

Best of luck in the future! — Mike Stanford

Good luck in the future. Stay Cool! — Sherlyn

Remember all those twenty five cent juices, potato chips and blue smurf walkman — Step

KEISHA LANIER

A good friend (sister) is a rarity, windows aren't ... go jump out of one — Tamara (Mookie)

You're a very smart young lady and I know you will be the best you can be. I'm proud of you! — Mom

Make choices that will satisfy you and label your mistakes "Keisha's experience." There's a difference! Lots of love and hugs — Natasha & Raven

MELISSA LEWIS

Biggie, Be good! Much success in the future! — Shakeria

Stay sweet, you sexy thang you!! — Josh

Stay cool and silly, don't change. — Simone

Wanna see you on "TV" — Tre da

Shoot those hoops! — Fre da

May you continue to achieve the best. You will always have my love forever. — Mommie

SHELLY ANN MANNING

Good luck and stay true. — Love Toya

Congrats and good luck in the future. — Love cousin Diana

A beautiful flower. Handle with care. — Delarno

Good friends are like flowers. The more you water it the more it grows. I hope all your dreams come through. Good luck — Your cousin Cindy

Dear Shelly, you are a beautiful and charming young lady. Remain that way. Don't settle for less because you deserve only the best. Congratulations and remember this is where it all begins. Go for it with a focused mind. — Love always your beautiful cousin Keisha

Wishing for you only the best that life can give. May your achievement always remain uncapped. Focus on your goals. — Winston

Congratulations and good luck in the future. May your dreams come true. — Nellie

Congratulations. As you end one phase of your life and get ready to begin another, realize that this is a chance to learn, to experience, to enrich your life. Good luck — your cousin Lisa Reid

Congratulations on your graduation. I wish you a successful career in the future. — Your cousin Sikhander

Shelly is an outstanding person. Good luck. — Albert & Ian

Congratulations, good luck in the future — Khadijah

To the prettiest girl in school. Congratulations — Gregory

Congratulations, we're finally out c/o "98" representing — Sharnette

Good luck in the future — Love Eddie

Good luck, knowledge and a good work ethic is the key to success. — Mr. Bertelson

Good luck in all you do! Love ya!! — Garnel

Saying good-bye to the old life! Hello to a new beginning and whatever you do! Keep it real, kid — Delania S

Congratulations! I'm very proud of you. — Pearl

SHAKERIA MARTIN

Wish you mad success in the future and by the way, can I have a turkey from Pathmark? — Biggie

Well, Miss Thing, I wish you good luck in your goals, OK so work it girlfriend. — Nelson F

Your name is still Sherie! Good luck! — Katie

It could've been something special — Isaac E. Lamothe

Wish you mad luck in the future and also success. Love your boy — Carlos

Good luck in college, stay cool, Peace! — Val

ALEX NOBRE

Good luck, keep up the good work — Maria Esteves

Good luck in everything you do. — Love Mother

Lots of luck in the future and don't give up on your dreams — Mother

To my boy Al, Yeah! Good luck with everything you do. I will be watching NBC to see you dunk on somebody. — Joey

Keep it going strong after graduation, good luck in whatever path you may choose, be it in a sport or business level, give it all you got. — George

Go for it! You can do it! Ms. Weigman

Good luck — love Lisa and Gerard

Congratulations and best wishes to Alex and the class of '98 — Love Lisa & Gerard

To Alex & Rodrigo . . . best of luck in everything you do — Love Lisa & Gerard

Reach for the stars, I know you can do it — Lisa & Gerard

May you succeed in whatever you choose to do — Lisa & Gerard

We love you — Lisa & Gerard

ELIZABETH NOBRE

Good luck! — Love Lisa & Gerard

Congratulations and best wishes to Elizabeth and the class of '98 — Love Lisa & Gerard

To Elizabeth and girls . . . best of luck in everything you do — Love Gerard & Lisa

May you be successful in whatever you do — Love Gerard & Lisa

I know you can do it, go for it! — Love Gerard & Lisa

We love you — Gerard & Lisa

KATHY ORTIZ

I wish you the best of luck! — Love Karime

God bless you and good luck. I Love you — Sheila

To our darling daughter . . . This is one of the greatest accomplishments in your life, we've always had confidence in you. We wish you the best of luck always — Love Mom & Dad!

You're lucky! Keep them the same! — Christine

It's been four years, Kathy, four good years. I hope all goes well for you and I hope you keep your good taste in clothes. — Nelson F.

Good luck to my best sister Kathy the chicken head. I love you and you don't have good taste in clothes. — Katherine Acosta

Be good! And my name is Shakeria! — Sherie

Girl, it's been four years now, I can't wait to get away from you!!! Sike!! You know I'll miss you. You've been a good friend to me. Good luck. — Lisa

Hoping that you get the best out of life. Succeed in whatever you do. — Tamara

Congratulations! Hope you don't change from an old friend. Keep it real after graduation. — Carlos

Good luck in the future and always remember your friends. Stay sweet girl. I hope to see you around some place. — Karen

Have fun and enjoy life as you know it. — Danita

I'm glad you made it. I hope you don't go far away to college because you know I'll miss you and as air headed as you are I know you won't call me. — Love "Peligro" Lissy

SIMONE PERRY

I hope you enjoy your senior year of high school, go to college, and pursue your career after it's all over. Represent Whopper! — Love Lettuce Sally

Good luck with your future goals. Take care R.M.A. — Your friend Claribel

Stay cool and confused, don't change. — Biggie

Stay cool and my friend. — Love always, Kisha

It is your future, make the best of it. — Kalen

I wish you a lot of happiness and success in the future. Just keep working hard and stay focused so we can both ride in that silver beamer. — Love your Lil Sis Shaunteeha

You are a very strong young woman who always worked hard to get what you wanted out of life; like holding down two jobs and going to school. You showed the world it's not hard for young women to work hard for the finest things. In life keep proving to the world that you are the best in 1998. — Your sister Drina

NICOLE PERRYMAN

Good luck in your future endeavors! The key to life awaits you on the top of success mountain. — Inger Pierce

You are destined for greatness my love. I see and feel your determination. Do not let anything or any one stand in your way. Persevere, Conquer, Achieve — Aunt Cheryl

Best wishes. You're a very sweet friend. — Brian Taylor

May God guide you on your journey in the real world and never forget all the giggles and laughs we had throughout high school years. You are a funny friend!! — La-La Aka Latasha Upshaw

To my friend Nikki . . . much love and hate for you. Love and hate always — Frantz

Stay cool and beautiful. Good luck! — Rowdy Ranz

Loved having you around. I'll miss you! — Sharon

Stay sexy and never forget about me. — Smoove

In a perfect world there would be no pain. In a perfect world people would accept people for who and what they are with no strings, complete honesty, total acceptance, no matter what, and if not you should be set free with no strings. In a perfect world there is no pain! Best wishes for the future. — Love Mother

Well, Nicole, I wish you all the best for the future, success in every part of your education, school, and church. — Esther

Real friends are hard to find, but traffic isn't; go play in it! — Tamara Mookie

To my new senior budd, wishing you the best in life. — Simone

ELIAS ROSADO

Be happy!! Don't forget about your friends. — Christina

Good luck in the future. — Denise
 It's about time you graduated, you dummy. — Ricky
 God bless and guide you in all you do. — Patty
 I wish U the best & have fun this summer. — Marysol
 Wish U the best of luck "98." — Lorely
 Thanks for being such a good bum!! — Nicki
 Congratulations on your graduation. Lots of luck. — Jenny, Ricky & hijos
 We wish you lots of luck in the future. — Luz & family
 Congratulations on your graduation and keep on studying for a better future. — Eva and Maribel

JERMAINE RUDD

Best wishes to you for the future. May you be successful in reaching all your goals. Stay focused at all times, and do not waste time because as we all know, time is very precious. — Mrs. Chery Hazel

Someone who's been in your life for ten "long years." I wish you the very best in the future to come. You have grown up to become a very smart and good looking young man. — Yvonne Brown "Your Lady"

It has been a joy having you as a son and watching you grow and mature into the young man you are today. We are very proud of you and we love you! Remember that with Christ you can do all things. We are praying for your continued success. — Mom & Dad

Show us the money! — Gene Islandiny
 Good luck in the future! — Leon Conner
 May you excel in everything you do. Just get paid!!! Show us the money!!! — Malik, Evelyn, Ashley Rudd

The sky is the limit. Reach for your goal. — Charmaine Rudd

God bless you in your future endeavors. — David & Gwen Harris

I'm glad you didn't "discombobulate" (joke) Good luck. — Michael McNair

Between each page of your life is a line of glory — keep holding on — we know you can make it! — Pam & Karl

God bless you! Wishing you the best!! — O.J. Byrd

Wishing you continued success!! — L. Johnson

Good luck!! — Allen Rud
 I hope that you succeed in everything you do. — Candace Sears

Wishing you the best in the future. — Dianne Bryant

Sing a song sweetly. — Dr. A
 Good luck and best wishes. — Ms. Lawler
 Best of luck for your future! — Ms. Weigman

I wish you all the best! — Mrs. Yamoah
 Much success in your future. — Jim Simon-
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God bless you in future endeavors. — Mr. Greenwood

Wishing you the best in your future! — Mrs. Serra

Go get em!! — Mr. Harrison
 Best wishes in the coming years. — Jimmy B
 I wish you much success. — Mrs. Kennedy

LISA SAAR

What words describe you? Sweet, kind friend! — Roste

Hey you made it! Congratulations Lisa, I wish you great success and best wishes. Love you always. — Dad

We finally made it out of this hole, sike. Good luck in the future, Lisa. Peace out! Class of '98! — Quiana

Lisa, I wish you the best in the future and may all your dreams come true! Your friend always — Kathy

Lisa! Lisa! Pick up the phone! C'mon I know you're home! Anyway you made it. "So!" Good luck and best wishes. — Love Kevin

DANITA SANDERS

Good luck and be happy. — Mr. Byrd
 Congratulations you spoiled brat! Best wishes and luck. — Auntie Fah (Estella)

Jahmar is my man! Good luck! — Shakeria
 Tonight at 10:00 pm wear something nice. — Isaac E. Lamothe

I hope you get the best out of everything in life! I wish you a successful career Dirty — DL! — Kathy

Good luck with your future endeavors. I wish you the best. — Mom

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Best of luck in life "Little Bit." — Monte

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Mom, I couldn't have done it without you. Love ya! — Jocelyn

Kristen, You've been there for 5 years. Thanks. P.S. get over it You're white — Jocelyn

Jesus, Thanks 4 everything Prince Albolito — Jocelyn

"Albolitos!!" from the albolito prince — Juice
 To Someone who's never changed since I met her. You're a good friend and I wish you the best. Never change your crazy ways. Love ya — Damarly

Never forget. "Denise" loves you "Tin Lady" — Rosie

H.C.F. God bless youth teen dance group — Jocelyn

SHARONDA SMITH

Help create a beautiful world! — Mrs. Lauterhahn

Best of luck to a beautiful young lady. — Mrs. Kennedy

Best wishes and good luck. — Mr. Byrd
 To my "favorite" student. You were a pleasure to have in class. I will miss you. Continue being the good person that you are. Make us all proud! — Mr. Romano

To a good friend I will never forget. Good luck in the future and I will never forget you. — Edward Vega

Be sure to follow your dreams. — M. Weigman
 You were always a very good friend. — Brian Taylor

Peace out and go to college, okay? — Val
 Congratulations! Thanks for all the help. You are truly a wonderful person, May God bless you. — Mr. Rasheed

TOSHIBA WALKER

Congratulations! We're finally out of school. — Laterra

Hi Babe, I am so proud of you. Keep up the good work. Let nobody break your stride, let nobody pull you down, keep on moving. — Lorraine

Congratulations upon your graduation, good luck in your endeavors. — Susan Holmes

Keep up the good work class of '98!! Knowledge is power! You go girl! — Tiffani & Mom

Good luck, do your thing and don't make any babies. — Love Jeannie

Good luck! No babies until you meet the right guy. — Hollywood

The power of your mind is God's gift. How you use your gift benefits mankind. — Denise

Congratulations. May you have a healthy, successful and wealthy future. Good luck. — Helen

Good luck after high school. — Love Shmera

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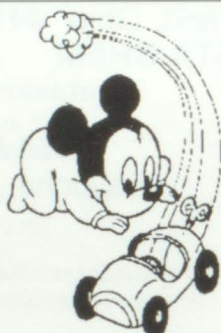
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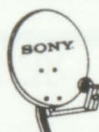
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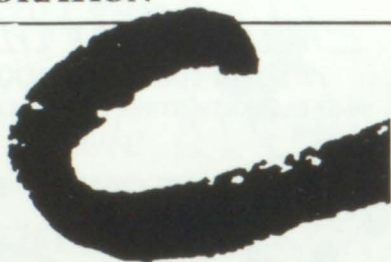
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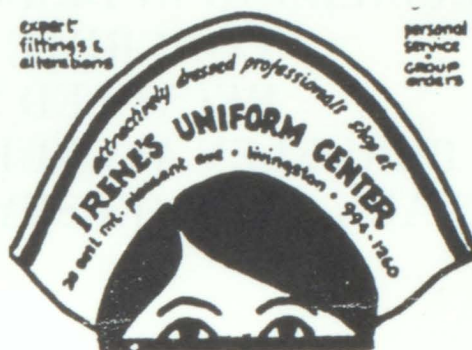
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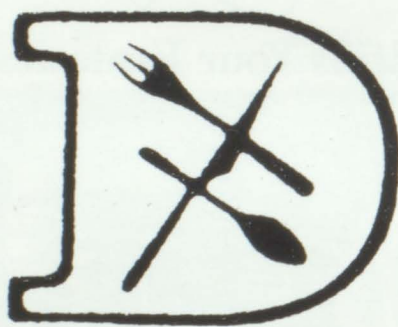
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